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## Community rallies to donate vacation days

by Kathleen M. McGrory '05
*NEWS EDITOR*

The Hamilton College community has once again come together to support one of its members in a time of need. When Physical Plant mechanic Dave Aversa's wife fell seriously ill with cancer, the campus rallied together to provide Aversa with the ability to spend the time he needed at home with his wife and children.

Aversa, a father of three, has worked as a master maintenance mechanic at the Physical Plant for the past six years.

"Dave is easy to work with; he knows his job very well," said Norm Bramley, a master maintenance mechanic for Physical Plant. "He's very well-liked by the faculty and staff of the College and the rest of the campus community. I've never once heard anyone say anything bad about him."

"He's a very spiritual man. He's also very hard-working and very active with his daughters in sports," added Jim Melvin, also a master maintenance mechanic for Physical Plant.

Friends and co-workers of Aversa asked members of the campus community to contribute to the effort to help Aversa and his family during this difficult time. Faculty and staff were invited both to make monetary contributions to offset the medical expenses and to donate accrued or unused vacation days to the Emergency Leave Bank for Aversa to use.

The Emergency Leave

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## *Faculty, students contribute design ideas to Martin's Way*

by Stephanie Valle '05
*NEWS WRITER*

*Charrette* (n): a French word for "cart or wagon" used to collect students' drawings in Paris during the 19th century students would leap onto the cart in an attempt to complete their projects; now a universal term used by architects to describe an intensive effort to complete a project before a deadline.

Despite the absence of a cart and some confusion on the phrase, Hamilton students had their own three-day Charrette in Beinecke this past week, attending open workshops to provide architects from Saratoga Associates, a college and university planning firm, with their ideas on the extension and enhancement of Martin's Way.

PHOTO BY KAT MCGRORY '05

**The Saratoga Associates architects discuss possible plans for extending Martin's Way in the Beinecke Student Activity Village on Wednesday afternoon.**

The Charrette kicked off with an orientation on Tuesday night in the Events Barn, with Dan O'Leary, vice-president of investments and treasurer providing attendees with a history of building at the college. Starting with the initial wooden buildings that comprised the Hamilton-Oneida Academy in 1793, O'Leary highlighted over 200 years of building on the Hill.

Martin's Way, the pathway under discussion now, was built as a way to merge two separate institutions, Kirkland College and Hamilton College, into one architecturally seamless institution. "We were somewhat successful," said O'Leary, noting that Martin's Way ends on the Hamilton campus prematurely because there was no clear plan as to what to do from there.

Now, that plan is being formulated by Saratoga Associates, who wanted student input to help guide their proposal. "We can look at drawings forever in our offices," said Architect Eric Whiting, "but students give us the everyday social and physical environment of the campus."

The architects set up in Beinecke from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Wednesday, and again from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Thursday. Students had the opportunity to trace their usual paths around campus, sketch out ideas, and answer a series of questions on the campus. The questions included how to utilize the area between Commons and Dunham, how the crosswalk could be improved, what Hamilton traditions could be expressed in the planning, and what activities could take place in the outdoor areas around Martin's Way.

"It's great for student input," said Emily Barber '05, who stopped by the Charrette on Wednesday.

"We're getting a good response," said Whiting, noting that after-lunch traffic brought the most students. "The location was key."

Rob Southerland, a Principal at Saratoga Associates, concurred. "Having a forum is a good idea to gauge what students want," he

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## Womyn's Center chooses student-focused events for Energy Week

by Sarah Karalunas '04
*EDITOR-IN-CHIEF*

Throughout the past week, the Womyn's Center has sponsored a series of speakers, discussions, and movies for Women's Energy week. Among the most highly attended of the week's events was a panel discussion about diversity, sex, and drinking.

"One of our goals was to really reach out to diverse groups of women who don't associate themselves with the Womyn's Center or feminism," said Jessie Turner '03, one of the Womyn's Center's coordinators.

In addition, said Turner, they wanted to keep this year's Women's Energy Week events student-focused, as opposed to bringing in outside speakers and performers.

The panel discussion, which featured representatives from different sororities, the Rainbow Alliance, BLSU, and other social organizations on campus who each commented on the issues up for discussion, was one way to focus on students' opinions.

"A lot of people are afraid to talk about sensitive issues. It's important to at least open up the lines of communication," said Turner.

PHOTO BY KAT MCGRORY '05

**Audience members were encouraged to participate in Tuesday night's panel discussion held in the Red Pit. Stereotypes, Greek life, and sexuality were among the topics discussed. The Womyn's Center sponsored the well-attended event as part of Women's Energy Week.**

The main issues discussed included "social life and drinking, diversity (or lack thereof), and sex," said Rachel Manwill '05, one of the panel representatives. In addition, members of the audience, who literally filled the Red Pit, offered up their own opinions to fuel the discussion.

"People were jumping in all over to give their opinions. Everyone had something to say," said Manwill.

Alison Harding, another representative on the panel, added, "People get so passionate about these things. They all need to say their piece."

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## Global Exchange co-founder Danaher addresses globalization

by Chris Takacs '05
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Students and community members packed the Chapel on the evening of Thursday, October 24th, to hear the second speaker in Hamilton's series on globalization, political activist, author, and co-founder of Global Exchange Kevin Danaher.

Visiting Professor of American Studies Thomas Bass introduced Danaher's talk, which was entitled "Globalize This! Why You Should Be Out In the Street Protesting The World Bank and IMF," by saying that "it requires a fair degree of nerve to talk about globalization." Bass went on to state that "something is happening out there. Globalization is raising a fair amount of concern." He emphasized that people like Danaher are at the center of such concern.

Danaher, who has a Ph.D. in sociology from the University of California at Santa Cruz, began his talk by handing out donation forms for the organization he co-founded, Global Exchange, which, according to its Web site, is "a human rights organization dedicated to promoting environmental, political, and social justice around the world."

Danaher began his talk by commenting on American-centrism and saying that when it comes to international agreements, "America really means

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# Urciuoli delivers lecture on Hamilton perception of the terms "multiculturalism" and "diversity"

**By Sarah M. Gould '05**
*NEWS WRITER*

For the most recent installment in the Hamilton Faculty Lecture Series, Professor of Anthropology Bonnie Urciuoli lectured in front of her peers and students this past Tuesday.

In her talk, titled "The Referential Complexity of the Words Multiculturalism and Diversity," she presented data from years of interviews with Hamilton students and compiled information as to how the College has influenced their understandings of these two words.

Urciuoli said, "'Multiculturalism' and 'diversity' are words that people treat as if their referents are obvious whenever the words are used. I argue that these terms do not have fixed denotata and that their referents are the framer's perspective." In proving her argument, Urciuoli spent an extended period of time in the late 1970s and then again briefly in 1988 on the Lower East Side of New York City "study[ing] how race and class issues were mapped out to language." This data became the subject of her book, *Exposing Prejudice: Puerto Rican Experiences of Language, Race, and Class*, published in 1996.

In 1995 Urciuoli began to focus her study on Hamilton students. Her interviews consisted of questioning Latino students as to when they first experienced the use of the terms "Latina/Latino" or "multiculturalism." Urciuoli also asked students about the meaning of such words.

"One of the tricky things is how you handle word definition," she said. The goal of the interviews was to find out how and when students' self-definition shifted during the course of their tenure at Hamilton. Incorporated into this was the possibility that the words "multiculturalism" and "diversity" held different definitions and usages for different people.

Urciuoli aimed to study how Hamilton has influenced students to shift their understandings and usages of these words. "Most people have a tendency to think of language as a collection of words," Urciuoli said, rather than a collection of meanings, moreover, a collection of meanings that shift and change. In reference to the words "multiculturalism" and "diversity," Urciuoli further commented, "These are terms that have evolved to refer to racial marking."

In speaking with students over the years about issues such as these, Urciuoli said she could see that they were learning to redefine themselves as college students and as Latino/Latina students in very different ways from how they would have done before college or outside of it.

Upon first entering college, however, students would come to Hamilton having only defined themselves as to where their families came from. As a result of the shifting meanings of such concepts and words as described. "multiculturalism" and "diversity," as well as shifting self-definitions, Urciuoli saw firsthand the notion of the shifting meanings and definitions inherent in linguistics and semiotics. "My argument is that there is no one, single meaning that correct," Urciuoli

The next lecture in the Series will be given on November 15 in the KJ Red Pit by Associate Professor of Sociology Mitchell Stevens. His talk is entitled "Community and Bureaucracy at Hamilton." A reception will follow shortly after in Café Opus.

PHOTO BY ANA GRITTEN '03

**Professor of Anthropology Bonnie Urciuoli during her Tuesday lecture in the Red Pit. For the past seven years Professor Urciuoli has studied how students perceive the two words "multiculturalism" and "diversity" at Hamilton College.**

# Levitt Center invites Halwani to discuss violence in the Mid-east

## Author advocates creation of bi-national state "Isratine"

**by Ian Mandel '06**
*NEWS WRITER*

On Monday, October 28, Raja Halwani, a native of Lebanon and an assistant professor of philosophy at the Art Institute of Chicago, spoke to a small group of students and faculty in the Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.

Halwani was brought in by Assistant Professor of Philosophy Marianne Janack as a lecturer in the Arthur Levitt Center for Public Affairs series on "Immigration and Global Citizenship." Halwani's lecture, titled "The Just Solution to the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict," addressed violence in the Mid-east from a philosophical viewpoint.

"I thought his analysis was well situated both in the literature on deontological theories of morality as well as in the literature of virtue ethics...the topic of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is uniquely well-suited to such a philosophical position, and his application of those theories to the question of what could count as a just solution to the conflict was carefully and rigorously argued," Janack said.

The bulk of Halwani's talk was read directly from an essay he authored that shares the title of the lecture. Halwani read an abbreviated version of the 47 page text.

Halwani advocated the creation of a bi-national state that would be called "Isratine." The new state would exist on the land where Israel now exists and would have two official languages, shared heritages, tolerance of religious views, and equality in education, religion, and culture among other

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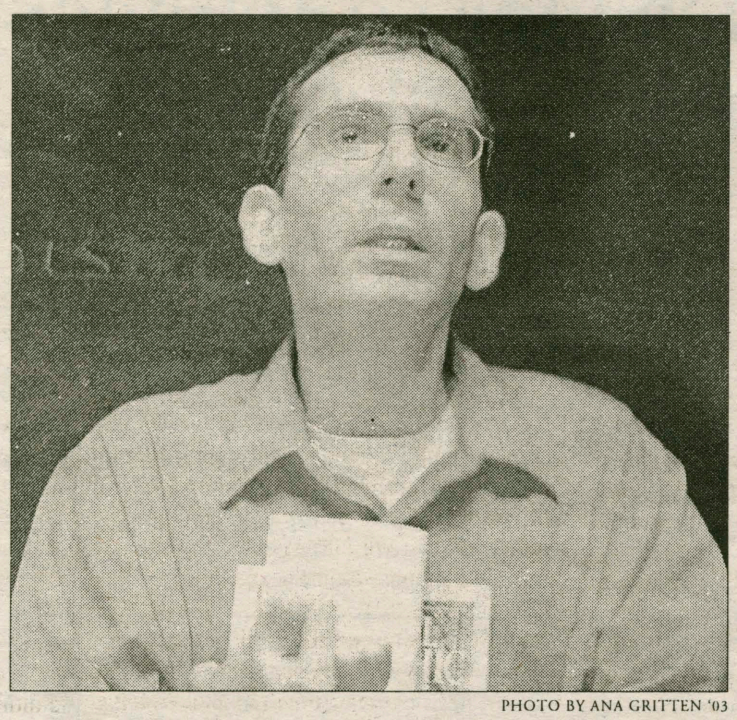

PHOTO BY ANA GRITTEN '03

**Raja Kalwani, Assistant Professor of Philosophy at the Art Institute of Chicago, addressed "The Just Solution to the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict" on Monday night.**

# Minnesota Senator dies in plane crash; Mondale to run in place

**by Jon Kuhl '06**
*ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR*

On Friday morning, October 25th, two-term United States Senator Paul Wellstone, from Minnesota, was killed in a plane crash along with his wife, daughter, three campaign aides, and two pilots. The senator's death comes just days before the mid-term elections, in which he was fiercely fighting to keep his seat.

The senator's 11-passenger campaign plane crashed in the woods close to Eveleth, Minnesota, just two miles from a runway at the Eveleth-Virginia Municipal Airport. The twin-engine Beechcraft King Air A100 was not required to have, nor did it have, a flight recorder box, which normally helps determine the cause of a crash. FAA officials said that it may take months to determine the exact causes of the crash, but that there was evidence of a post-crash fire. The plane also apparently took the tops off several trees before finally making impact with the ground.

Senator Wellstone and his wife Sheila of 39 years, also his high school sweetheart, were extremely well regarded among both the citizens of Minnesota and his colleagues in the Senate. Massachusetts Senator John Kerry released a statement saying that "Paul and Sheila together were an extraordinary caring, fighting couple. They were the best people in politics and in life; the most caring, the most giving, the most sincere and genuine people in public life I've ever met."

Senator Kerry went on to recall the impact Wellstone had, saying that "he was the pied piper of modern politics. So many people heard him and wanted to follow him in his fight. His loss is monumental. I loved his passion, his spirit, and his zest for making peoples' lives better. This is sad beyond any words." This sentiment was shared among a slew of other Senators as well.

In a memorial service held at the University of Minnesota, over 20,000 people packed into the arena to mourn and celebrate the Senator's life. Among the crowd that gathered was former President Bill Clinton, Sen. Hillary Clinton (D-NY), former V.P. Al Gore, Sen. Ted Kennedy (D-Ma), Sen. Joe Lieberman (D-Ct), Sen. John Kerry (D-Ma), and Senate Minority leader Trent Lott (R-Ms). Republican Trent Lott, along with Minnesota Governor Jesse Ventura, walked into the arena with a series of boos from the audience. Vice President Dick Cheney, who was planning to attend, was asked not to for security reasons and because much of what was to be celebrated would contradict his opinions.

Among the disagreements that Wellstone had with the current administration were policies on the subject of Iraq. According to the *New York Times*, "Mr. Wellstone was one of just

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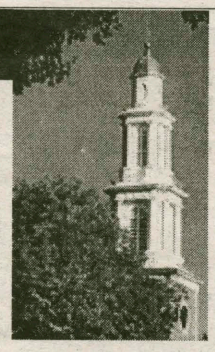
## IVORY TOWERS



### THE NEWS AT COLLEGES ACROSS THE LAND

Compiled by Chris Takacs '05

### State senator urges Boston U. alumni to withhold donations

(U-WIRE) BOSTON — State Senator Cheryl Jacques criticized Boston University Chancellor John Silber in a speech Tuesday at the Castle, calling Silber's disbanding of the BU Academy Gay/Straight Alliance earlier this year "a message of intolerance and discrimination" and encouraging alumni to withhold gifts to BU.

"I hope you join me in being incredibly disappointed [in Silber's actions]," Jacques, who is openly gay, told an audience of around 50 BU School of Public Health students, alumni and faculty.

She emphasized the need gay and lesbian students have for support, offering statistics showing that gay students are three times more likely to attempt suicide and 24 percent more likely to be injured by one of their peers as a result of intimidation.

"Some may not understand why these kids become so despondent," Jacques said. She said homosexual students often face isolation from their family, as well as harassment at school, a condition she said other students dealing with harassment might not share.

"Most kids, all kids go home to a family where someone is telling them they're okay," she said.

However, Jacques said, "Gay kids have a tremendous amount of isolation because more typically a gay kid will experience even their own family making remarks ... Is it any shock these kids turn to suicide?

"What GSAs do is attempt to give these kids somebody to talk to, give emotional support, acceptance and tolerance," she said.

### 2 slain U. Arizona professors feared Flores

(U-WIRE) TUCSON, Ariz. — At least two of the three professors murdered Monday expressed concern about Robert Stewart Flores Jr.'s "anger," one as recently as Saturday night, according to several sources.

Assistant professor Robin Rogers, Flores' first victim, told friends and family she had fears about Flores when he failed her class last semester.

Rogers reportedly voiced her concerns at a church service at Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church last Saturday night, according to nursing professor Joann Glittenberg.

Rogers asked that church members pray for her to be protected from Flores, Glittenberg said.

Roger's husband, Phillip, recalled that she had anxiety about Flores during the term.

"She had him last semester and she expressed concerns then," Phillip Rogers said. "And this year, when he failed the critical care course, she had concerns ... She was concerned that he might act out in some way; but she didn't have any fear or premonition that he would do something this drastic."

Another victim, clinical associate professor Cheryl McGaffic, also feared Flores and was concerned about his well being and her own.

A family spokeswoman for the McGaffics said she had told her husband that she was scared of Flores.

### Knight, Indiana U. resolving suits

(U-WIRE) BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — One of the 45 plaintiffs suing Indiana University over the firing of Bob Knight revealed Monday that the University asked the former men's basketball coach to persuade the fans to drop their lawsuit.

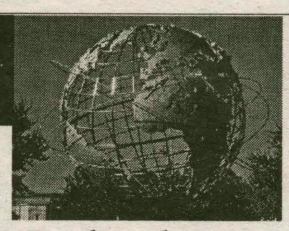
In exchange, IU would settle with Knight out of court.

"They wanted Knight to convince us to dismiss our lawsuit," plaintiff Robert Nemanich said. "They put a condition on the settlement. It looked to me like a form of extortion."

IU spokesperson Jane Jankowski said she had no comment.

Knight and IU officials have been negotiating since early September, attempting to settle Knight's claim that he suffered $7 million in damages related to his firing by IU President Myles Brand in September 2000.

## WORLD NEWS



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### 5 Children Die in Italy Earthquake

SAN GIULIANO DI PUGLIA, Italy (AP) - An earthquake jolted south-central Italy on Thursday, sending a nursery school roof crashing down on a class of preschoolers during a lunchtime Halloween party. At least five children in the school and two women in nearby homes were killed.

Driven on by faint voices coming from the rubble, frantic rescuers worked into the night to save more than a dozen children who remained trapped after the 5.4 magnitude quake struck the Molise region, shaking the town of Campobasso and surrounding villages northeast of Naples.

San Giuliano Di Puglia, a village of 1,195 people, was the hardest hit. Anguished parents kept a vigil outside the yellow schoolhouse, where 56 children had been celebrating Halloween when the quake struck. Workers guided by flashlights and floodlights carried six dust-covered children from the rubble after night fell.

So far, 26 children and two teachers were rescued. The bodies of five children were pulled from the wreckage earlier in the day.

### Arafat Warns of More Violence

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) - Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat warned Thursday against any U.S. strike on Iraq, saying it would have catastrophic consequences in the Middle East and urged resolving the conflict through the United Nations.

In a joint interview with Associated Press Television News and an Israeli TV station, Arafat also predicted the Israel-Palestinian conflict will worsen now that Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon depends on far-right and religious parties to cling to power.

AP

**A mock Statue of Liberty stands above the ruins of Yasser Arafat's compound.**

Warning against a U.S. strike on Iraq, Arafat said, "I hope that this war will not take place because this will lead to a catastrophe in the whole area of the Middle East."

"I hope that such conflicts will be resolved in the United Nations since the Iraqis have accepted (U.N. weapons) inspectors back," he said.

Arafat also said he remains committed to achieving peace with Israel despite two years of fighting and said he considers suicide attacks against Israeli civilians to be immoral.

### Chechens Decry Moscow Dragnet

MOSCOW (AP) - The day after terrorists seized a Moscow theater, taking hundreds of people hostage, police armed with automatic rifles came to Elita. Usmanova's apartment and took away her two teenage sons for questioning.

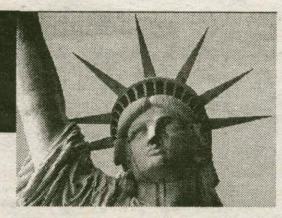
Chechens in Moscow say they've been subjected to unannounced police visits, document checks and harassment in the days since last week's hostage drama, which ended Saturday when Russian troops stormed the theater. At least 119 hostages were killed, all but two from an opiate gas used in the rescue effort to incapcitate the Chechen rebels.

Russian Interior Minister Boris Gryzlov has said dozens of people have been detained on suspicion of aiding the hostage-takers, but many Chechens and other dark-skinned people from the Caucasus region with no connection to the case have been caught up in the police dragnet, human rights workers say.

Usmanova said her experience with the police was chilling.

After checking documents and searching the one-room apartment Usmanova shares with two other Chechen families, the police demanded that her two sons, ages 14 and 16, come to the police station, where they were photographed, fingerprinted and questioned for three hours before being released.

## NATIONAL NEWS



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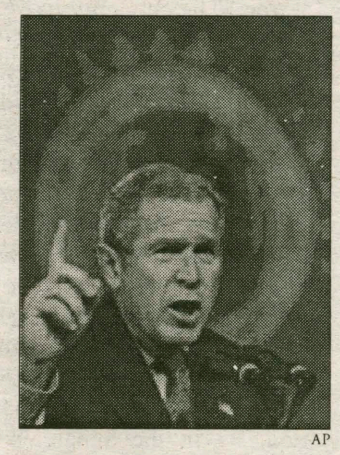
### Bush Warns U.N. About Iraq Inaction

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Bush said Thursday it is the job of the United Nations to force Iraq to disarm and said "we will lead a coalition of nations" against Baghdad if the international body fails to act.

Bush delivered his long-distance lecture to the world body from the 2002 campaign stump, appearing in South Dakota for Republican candidates. "You need to do your job," he exhorted the U.N.

The president previously had accused the United Nations of risking irrelevance if it did not agree with the United States on a tough resolution.



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For seven weeks, American diplomats have been unable to swing France, Russia and China, all of whom have veto powers, behind the U.S.-British draft of a resolution seeking to rein in Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

"We want the U.N. to succeed," Bush said Thursday. "We want the resolution you pass to be listened to."

A White House spokesman, Scott McClellan, elaborated on the president's stern line declaring the administration would not let the United Nations "handcuff" it from disarming Iraq by force.

### Nerve Agent Tested in Hawaii in '67

WASHINGTON (AP) - The military secretly tested sarin nerve agent in a Hawaii forest preserve in 1967, the Pentagon acknowledged Thursday in the latest disclosures about Cold War-era testing of biological and chemical weapons.

Other secret tests in Hawaii in 1966 and the Panama Canal Zone in 1963 released a germ meant as a harmless stand-in for the bacteria that cause anthrax, the Defense Department said. A 1966 experiment in an undisclosed "tropical jungle type environment" involved spraying tear gas on unprotected U.S. military volunteers.

The Defense Department released summaries of five chemical and biological weapons tests Thursday. The disclosures were part of an effort to research and make public such tests from the 1960s and 1970s to alert veterans who may have been exposed.

The tests were part of Project 112, a military program in the 1960s and 1970s to test chemical and biological weapons and defenses against them. Parts of the testing program done on Navy ships were called Project SHAD, or Shipboard Hazard and Defense.

The United States scrapped its biological and chemical weapons programs in the early 1970s.

### Five L.A. Archdiocese Execs Quit

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Five top executives of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles resigned this week, including its No. 2 man, and a published report said Thursday that they claimed Cardinal Roger Mahony failed to consult them about budget cuts.

The archdiocese, the nation's largest, confirmed the resignations but said they were for personal reasons.

The five signed an e-mail Wednesday to employees at the Roman Catholic archdiocese headquarters informing them of their decision, the Los Angeles Times said.

The newspaper quoted church sources as saying that the resignations were due, in part, to what the executives saw as Mahony's inability to communicate with them about budget cuts. The archdiocese, facing a $4.3 million deficit, will lay off at least 60 workers and cut or eliminate the budgets of a variety of programs, including those that do outreach to ethnic minorities, people with disabilities and gays.

"We've come to this at different times" for varying reasons, the newspaper quoted an unidentified executive as saying. "The announcement is made together. We didn't make the decisions together."

The executive said Mahony didn't ask for their resignations.

# Elections 2002: An in-depth breakdown

by Francesca Jenkins '03
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**Exactly What National Issues Are People Going to the Polls For?**

There is a consensus of political experts saying there are no national issues or events likely to affect the voting decisions of the public.

The past year has been a difficult one for Americans. Terrorism and war came onto the scene, as well as the possibility rises of a new war and more terror. The economy has been both in recession and recovery and is now heade towards stagnation. Much of the middle class's life savings have disappeared thanks to the stock market collapse. Polls indicate a majority of the public believes that the country is desperately going down the wrong path.

At the governmental level, Congress is now in a political gridlock, with important expected legislation stalled, particularly in the Senate: some critical issues are the a budget, an energy plan, a Homeland Security Department. At this point, it seems that the House is predicted to stay Republican, and the Senate Democratic. So are we sitting back and letting this continue? Apparently so.

This campaign season has been difficult because the chambers are in a tight margin between the two parties, and there seems to be a lack of a 'theme,' especially for the Democrats. They have not been able to turn the attention away from the foreign issues that the Republicans can promote, because they do not have much to say about domestic issues. Aside from using the spiraling economy to attack GOP leaders, they lack significant positive issues to promote.

Tom Blankley, editorial page editor for the Washington Times, provided the following prediction for how this election campaign may end.

Colin Powell hinted on Monday that President Bush might call the United Nation's bluff before the Election Weekend. The U.N. would either comply, which will be a huge substantive and media triumph for the President, or it will refuse. If it refuses, Presiden Bush will abandon the U.N. and announce the American alliance, determined to achieve victory in Iraq. This would truly be an historic announcement, and would dominate the closing days of the campaign. It would end the election on a serious, historically worthy topic. What party will benefit? It's not known. However, it will bring the public to focus "on a subject worthy of a great democracy," instead of some final childish political mudslinging. (Source: *The Washington Times*, 10/30/02)

**Dead Man Running: the death of Senator Paul Wellstone will have crucial electoral consequences**

For Democratic Minnesota, Senator Paul Wellstone's tragic death in a plane crash last Friday has thrown the struggle for control of the Senate into complete disarray less than two weeks before the election.

The proximity to Election Day raises complicated rules for ballots, as, under Minnesota state law, ballots cannot be changed at this point. A supplemental ballot with the new Democratic candidate's name (most likely Walter Mondale) on it will be distributed with every already-printed ballot containing Wellstone's name. The Minnesota State Democratic Party has filed suit with the state Supreme Court requesting an injunction to reject the state's plan for absentee balloting. The suit claims it is unfair that absentee votes for Republican candidate Norm Coleman would be counted while Wellstone's absentee voters have to go to the polls to vote again. This complication could cost the Democrats to lose many absentee votes.

Former Vice President and Senator Walter Mondale, now 74, has officially agreed to accept the Democratic Party's plea to finish Wellstone's campaign. Although it seems insensitive, the Minnesota race is crucial for the extremely tight national race for Party control of the Senate, and Democrats have to act quickly and refocus on the campaign against the former St. Paul mayor, Norm Coleman.

The Wellstone-Coleman race was one (if not the) most competitive Senate races, one of about 8 that will ultimately decide which political party will control the Senate in January. As the Minneapolis Star Tribune put it on October 29, the "shaky four-day politicking truce" following Wellstone's came to an end, officially closing when a memorial service of about 20,000 guests - including the Clintons, Al Gore, and other prominent party members - turned into a liberal rally. This exemplified not the memory of Wellstone's liberal-to-the-end voting behavior, but how absolutely crucial this seat is. Republican polls taken last weekend showed Mondale with a narrow lead of about eight points over Coleman, with Mondale at 47% and Coleman at 39% (margin of error: 3.9%). (Poll source: Minneapolis Star Tribune).

Coleman, who suspended his campaign after Wellstone's death, re-launched his campaign with a statewide fly-around on October 30. Mondale's brief 'campaign' is supposed to focus more on Wellstone's memory than his own interests. Mondale has agreed to accept the Republican plea for one debate within the next week. Both parties have stated the last week of the campaign will be "more positive" than the grueling past few weeks between Wellstone and Coleman have been.

**The House: Four Incumbents Guaranteed to Lose?**

Ordinarily, being a member of the House of Representatives is one of the safest jobs in America. 96.7 percent of incumbents were re-elected in 1996, 1998 and 2000 combined, thanks to the advantages of free mailings, free travel and political action committee (PAC) money. However, at least four incumbents will lose the general election. In four districts, incumbents are running against other incumbents because of redistricting and lost House seats, efforts that are done once a decade to politically downsize.

In southern Illinois, the loser will be Representative David Phelps, a Democrat who says, "I'm for working America; he's for corporate America," or Representative John Shimkus, a Republican who says, "I never apologize for voting to cut taxes."

There are similar pairings in Connecticut, Mississippi and Pennsylvania, and only in the central Pennsylvania district around Harrisburg does the Democratic candidate, Representative Tim Holden, appear to be ahead. Both parties agree this exemplifies the difficulty of the overall challenge the Democrats face in order to win the house. If Republicans do win 3 of these 4 House seats, the Democrats will need a net gain of 9 candidates in the other 35 or so competitive races to control the House. They are now in the minority by 6 House members. In Pennsylvania, which lost two seats to reapportionment, the Republican legislature and governor placed Mr. Holden and Mr. Gekas in the same district, expecting Mr. Gekas to easily win the seat. But Mr. Holden has proved to run a strong campaign, claiming that Mr. Gekas has been a "rubber stamp" for Republican leaders during his 10 terms in Congress. Mr. Gekas, meanwhile, argues that Mr. Holden is more liberal than his conservative reputation.

In Mississippi, Rep. Ronnie Shows, a Democrat, pursued a summertime series of attacks calling for Republican Rep. Charles W. "Chip" Pickering Jr. to return $82,000 in campaign contributions from Mississippi-based WorldCom. But the attack didn't last, and the debate has now returned to which of the two has better conservative and pro-life credentials. However, it seems Mr. Shows' fate was determined when a court in February produced a redistricted congressional map with black voters making up only 30% of the population, a vote heavily relied upon by the Democrats.

Finally, in Connecticut, Republican Rep. Nancy L. Johnson holds a strong lead over Democrat Rep. Jim Maloney. Although the distric leans slightly Democratic, the latest Quinnipiac University poll showed her up 56 percent to 38 percent. Mrs. Johnson is recognized as a strong campaigner, and Mr. Maloney's campaign attacks have fallen short because people are familiar with Mrs. Johnson, who holds strong recognition in the state

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# Students express desire to connect North and South sides of campus

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gauge what students want," he said. "A lot of people said they appreciated having a forum before the ideas were finalized."

Hundreds of students, faculty, and administrators took advantage of the opportunity, questioning the architects on the various ideas and expressing hopes and concerns about the project. By the end of Wednesday, common themes were beginning to develop in the students responses.

"There is a desire to strengthen the connection between the North and South sides of campus," said Southerland. "There is a desire to improve the pedestrian crosswalk." Other ideas centered on developing an outdoor social space in the area between Dunham and Commons and having retail facilities in that space or along Martin's Way. Specific suggestions included an outdoor ice rink, outdoor eating areas, swings, statues, a bookstore, and a café.

"I like the idea of extending Martin's Way," said Emily Simon '05, who added that she hoped North and South Courts would be preserved.

"I think the outdoor seating area is nice," said Thomas Acampora '05, although he expressed the sentiment that the money could be spent more advantageously on other aspects of campus, like dorms or the library. Other students expressed concerns over the functionality of outdoor spaces in such a cold climate.

PHOTO BY KAT MCGRORY '05

**First-year students take an active role during the Martin's Way Charrette.**

After listening to student input, the architects worked late into Wednesday night and early on Thursday to assemble all of the ideas into a few main concepts that were then presented to the Hamilton Community. Held in the Barn on Thursday afternoon, the open presentation was designed as an additional place to get more feedback and determine whether the initial ideas were welcomed by the community. "We want to ask the campus if this is going in the right direction," said Southerland.

Based on the feedback from that event, Saratoga Associates will develop a preferred concept over the next few months that will reflect what the architects learned during the Charrette.

Overall, Southerland emphasized the success of the three-day Charrette. "From our standpoint, it's been very successful," he said. "Martin's Way is more than just a walkway," Southerland added. "It is an idea that students have helped to shape."

# Editorial:

Editorial

Last week the school announced plans to extend Martin's Way to the North Side of campus. For three days this week, representatives from the architectural firm drawing up the plans for the project met with students, inviting their input about the designs and making them feel like they have a voice in the workings of the college. While we appreciate their efforts to involve students, if the college took similar steps to consider student input, we would be focusing resources not on Martin's Way at all, but on other projects and renovations that students have been requesting for years.

Alumni and trustees are have decided to renovate public spaces on campus; however, these are not the people who have to live their day-to-day lives on the Hill. Students and faculty, who best know the needs of residents, have asked for improvements to dorms, offices, and parking lots. Although the College has taken some steps to alleviate problems in these areas, professors' offices are still housed in Milbank, and Kirkland residence halls and some dorms still have "gang" showers, which can be uncomfortable for students to use.

Students voice concerns about these issues frequently, and often loudly, but the school has not adequately responded because these problems still exist, indicating a breakdown in communication. Either the administration and our student representatives are not communicating student wishes to the Trustees, who decide what improvement to make to campus, or the Trustees are choosing to forgo student requests and instead focus on the aesthetic appeal of the campus. This is not acceptable. The trustees are chosen to represent the best interests of the college, which, in large part, means representing the best interests and wishes of the students. Making students comfortable in their environment is the first step to further improving the academic performance of the students and, therefore, the reputation of the college.

The administration and trustees need to realize that what is most appealing to the eye is not what is most appealing to the students who have to live with changes made based on the whims of a distant board.


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# Letter to the Edtor:

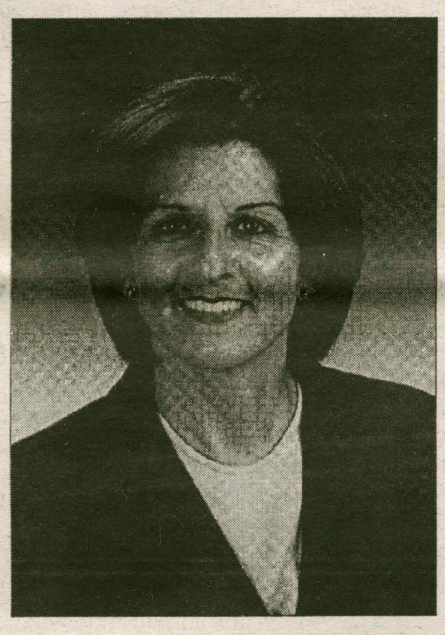
To the Editor:

"When a person places the proper value on freedom, there is nothing under the sun that he will not do to acquire that freedom. Whenever you hear a man saying he wants freedom, but in the next breath he is going to tell you what he won't do to get it, or what he doesn't believe in doing in order to get it, he doesn't believe in freedom. A man who believes in freedom will do anything under the sun to acquire . . . or preserve his freedom."
-Malcolm X

Black Solidarity Day is on the 4th of November. It's a day designed to bring black people together and share their ideological beliefs. Black Solidarity Day was started in 1969 and observed nationally by black American men, women and children. It usually occurs the day before elections take place and the original objective was to bring black people together so they could discuss their political, economic and social status within American society and examine where they were heading in the future. Customarily Black Solidarity Day is a manner of social protest during which black people remove themselves from their normal everyday societal activities; such as not going to work, school or even shopping. The idea behind this is to allow everyone to understand the widespread effect of black people's presence both in the work force and as a factor within the nation's economy. Essentially this is to show the importance of black people within American society.

Initially Black Solidarity Day had a great deal of participation during the seventies however overtime this participation declined, especially during the money driven era of the eighties. A rekindling in regards to this day's importance occurred in the 1990's with an increase in consciousness on black solidarity within the community due to events such as the 1995 Million Man March. Now this holiday is once again celebrated all over the country, from New York City to Los Angeles. On Monday, November 4, 2002, partake in the resonating message behind black solidarity day through a thoughtful moment of reflection, silent acknowledgement or what ever feels comfortable to you as a means of supporting a message that reinforces the proper value freedom within America.

Ali Albedawi'03

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# *Halwani talk blends philosophy, politics*

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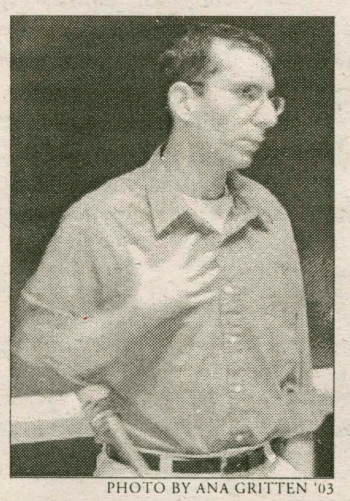
things. He insisted that the formation of a bi-national state is the "morally optimal solution" because it takes political claims by the two sides into consideration and concedes points to both.

Halwani's Isratine would have shared sovereignty over all issues even if it was not "representative of the population." Halwani reasoned that evenly shared authority, regardless of demographics, would ease Israeli fears that high Palestinian birth rates would leave Israeli Jews as a powerless minority in the near future.



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**Professor Raja Halwani.**

Halwani attacked Israeli claims that Palestinians left their land at their own free will after the formation of the state in 1948. He dismissed Israeli arguments that Arab governments in the region urged Palestinians to leave their lands in 1948 and 1949, claiming that it "doesn't pass philosophical muster."

Halwani described the "Palestinian right of return" to the lands they lived in prior to the 1948 formation of the state of Israel as the driving force behind Palestinian aggression toward Israelis.

Palestinians have "anger, not hatred, towards Israelis," Halwani declared, adding that Arab hatred toward Jews is not the result of "irrational, Anti-Semitic feelings, but feelings of injustice."

A feeling of injustice at not being allowed to reclaim their ancient lands is the main grievance of Palestinians. Halwani's solution would correct this supposed injustice by allowing Palestinians to return to Palestine while respecting the right of Israelis to live on the land as well.

Halwani dismissed current calls for a separate Palestinian state in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip as a mere stepping stone in the process toward a bi-national state. He told the audience that a two-state solution was not a just solution. He made it clear that restricting a Palestinian state to lands in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip would be unacceptable to him.

The West Bank and the Gaza Strip were acquired by Israel in the Arab-Israeli War of 1967, also known as the Six Day War, in which Israel launched a preemptive military offensive against Egypt, Syria, and Jordan in response to Arab aggression. Halwani expressed, contrary to popular opinion, his view "that a good case can be made that it [the June 1967 War] was not a defensive war."

Halwani admitted that his plan for a bi-national state was merely an idea and that he had no plan for how or when it would be implemented.

At the end of Halwani's lecture, he addressed questions and concerns raised by the audience. Students and faculty voiced concerns about issues such as Palestinian terrorism and also asked for clarification on certain key points.

"I thought Professor Halwani's answers were important for people to hear, since he has a real skill for showing how the facts of the matter do not lead uniquely to one particular analysis of what's just in the situation," Janack said.

# Activist labels WTO, NAFTA "elite transnational alliances"

*from* ***Globalization****, page 1*

elites, the people at the top, making the decisions" and not the rest of the population.

He continued by proposing that there are actually two globalizations: the transnational elite alliance's globalization, and the people's fair bottom-up globalization, both of which are occurring at the same time.

Danaher also examined what he sees as three major crises in the world. The "crisis of social inequality" concerns the growing wealth gap between the rich and the poor of the world, as well as the growing quality of life gap between these economic groups. Danaher elucidated his point by stating that "more children are dying in Africa this year from AIDS than died in all of the Nazi holocaust."

The second crisis Danaher examined was an environmental crisis, that "every biological system in the world is declining," which Danaher blames on the disrespect mankind has for the planet.

The third crisis Danaher spoke of is a "moral crisis," or in other words, growing individualism and materialism. He emphasized the need "to make a transition from 'me' ideology to 'we' ideology... [there are] people who believe in separation and people who believe in connection... If you want to be human, you have to be connected."

Danaher also explained what he sees as two prevailing value systems in the world: "there is the money, violence, God-is-on-our-side value system, and then there is the non-violence, grassroots, life values system... the WTO is trying to construct a constitution that says money values should be more important than life values." Danaher insisted that "we need a separation of the state and the corporation."

After the talk Danaher took questions from the audience concerning the role of the United Nations, the WTO protests in Seattle in 1999, and what can be done to help separate corporations and government.

The next day in the KJ Auditorium, Danaher also participated in a discussion panel, which included Professor of Government Steven Orvis and Visiting Professor of American Studies Thomas Bass, and which was attended by all the students in the sophomore seminar globalization cluster and other members of the community.

Danaher began the panel with a discussion of the elite globalization and the people's globalization, arguing that most of the globalization taking place was, by nature, elite, or, in other words, dictated by governments, corporations, and transnational organizations such as the WTO and World Bank. Danaher also noted how this globalization is resulting in worldwide injustices, and human rights violations and discussed what his organization, Global Exchange, is doing to help.

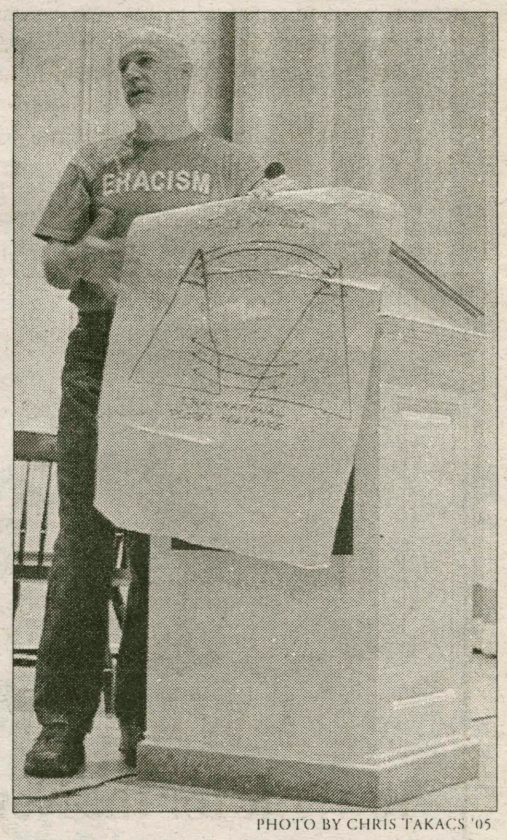
Danaher frequently returned to the theme of corporate power and democracy, stating, "Corporations have taken over the government. They have taken over public airwaves, and they have taken over the public university system of higher education. Look at who is running these universities: wealthy white guys with a sprinkling of women and minorities around them. This is a monocrop people. It is not biodiverse. Our major systems are being controlled by 5% of the population here. Yoohoo! It's not democracy...Are we going to walk and talk, or are we going to be consistent with a system that is killing so many people around us?"

Danaher also spoke about capital shift too- how most people are moving investment in socially responsible and environmentally sustainable firms and goods: "Screened funds are out-performing non-screened funds. Green technology, energy conservation, recycling, all of these industries are taking off like rockets."

Speaking about activism, Danaher stated, "Democracy is messy. When you get thousands of people together and they're pumped up about something, it's messy. When this happens at a football game it is socially acceptable; its ok. When it's political, though, it becomes unruly." He also noted that most of the people at this protest were nonviolent, but the people responsible for breaking windows got the most media attention.

Danaher offered one final warning to students: "Be careful of being sucked into complacence by your comfort level... This middle ground that affluence gives us makes us comfortable. I'm not trying to make you guilty, but a little bit of guilt is good. You want to get off your ass and do something, not be too comfortable. If there is something that needs fixing, you've got to get people organized, get out there and fix it. Look at the people of middle-class that stood by Hitler in Nazi Germany because they were comfortable. At this moment in history, we're in a unique position. We'll be viewed by future generations by whether or not we acted... There is tons and tons of information out on the web. There's no excuse to not being active anymore."

Danaher is the author of several books, including *Democratizing the Global Economy: The Battle Against the World Bank and the IMF*, *Globalize This! The Battle Against the World Trade Organization*, and *Corporations Are Gonna Get Your Momma: Globalization and the Downsizing of the American Dream*. Further information about Danaher, his books and Global Exchange, can be found at *http://www.globalexchange.org*

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**Co-Founder of Global Exchange Kevin Danaher displays his diagram of dual-globalization to Hamilton students. Danaher also participated in a Friday afternoon pannel discussion.**

# Campus donates month of time-off to Physical Plant mechanic

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Bank was established to financially assist members of Maintenance and Operations who have exhausted all of their vacation time but need time off due to serious personal injury or illness, or in order to take care of a seriously ill child or spouse. Members of the College can voluntarily donate unused vacation days to the bank.

According to Terry Hawkridge, director of physical plant, the campus responded in a very generous manner.

"There is now over a month of time that Dave can be away," said Hawkridge.

Hawkridge noted that although employees of the College have the option of declaring a "family leave," because employees do not receive a pay check during the leave, many cannot afford to declare it.

"This has been a huge period of grief for Dave, his wife, and his kids. Dave's immensely popular, a good mechanic, a friendly man, and a loving husband and father. Right now home is where he's supposed to be, and the important thing is that he can afford to be there. This is what has been made possible, and this is what will continue to be made possible," continued Hawkridge.

Bramley was overjoyed to see the outpouring of support that the campus community rendered his friend and co-worker, Aversa.

"I've always thought that that's the way people are up here," noted Bramley. "The whole campus is pulling together; it really is a wonderful thing."

"This campus always comes to the aid of others. When it hits closer to home, hearts just get bigger," Hawkridge added.

# Elections 2002: An in-depth breakdown

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with 20 years in the House.

According to Howard Wolfson, executive director of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, all three Democrats are being outspent by their GOP opponents. However, they have the advantage of well-organized get-out-the-vote efforts in these Connecticut, Illinois and Pennsylvania races. Although there is no one group in the House that will determine Party control, every election counts at this point in one of the most competitive campaign seasons. (Information compiled from The New York Times and the Washington Times, 10/30/02)

**New York State Governor Race: Pataki Part III?**

As Republican Governor George Pataki looks to another pretty much secure term in office and prepares New Yorkers for another 4 years, his platform and the New York State Governor Race in general are worth examining.

When George Pataki outseated Andrew Cuomo in 1994, his campaign platform looked like this: promising tax cuts, tougher criminal penalties, welfare reform and not much else. In the wake of Newt Gingerich, it all made sense. However, the 2002 campaign looks completely different. Pataki is now calling for increased spending for schools and medical care, advocating for labor unions, harsh penalties for hate crimes and an equal-rights law for gays that the Senate has promised to pass this coming December.

No, Pataki has not switched parties. Since Pataki has taken office, the economy has expanded, crime has fallen, and welfare numbers have dramatically decreased. Being governor of a predominantly Republican state and having accomplished a majority of his original objectives in the last eight years, he has had room to branch out and appease other sectors of the New York population, and in turn, has undergone a "political re-invention."

How has this affected the 2002 gubernatorial race? First, there was Andrew Cuomo, son of the Original Cuomo, who dropped out of the race after a deadly comment accusing Pataki of being Rudy Guiliani's post-9/11 "coat-holder." That left state comptroller Carl McCall unopposed in the Democratic primary. However, the McCall campaign has been quite unfortunate, and has discouraged Democrats around the state. His embarrassing campaign may even make him finish behind third party candidate and billionaire Tom Golisano.

Golisano's roll in the race has been interesting. His multi-million dollar advertising campaign is what has been keeping him in the race. The over-abundance of ads and the miserable campaign run by McCall has split the anti-Pataki vote. McCall originally told the New York Post Editorial Board that he planned on using Golisano as a weapon to divide Pataki supporters. He has dug himself right into a failing election.

As a result, Pataki remains on top. His liberal-evolved platform secures the votes he needs to remain governor. However, it seems that whomever we would have ended up with, the objectives would have been quite similar.

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# Key Senate state leaning Democrat following death of Paul Wellstone

*from **Senator**, page 4*

23 senators (the only one in a close re-election fight) to vote this month against a resolution authorizing President Bush to take unilateral action against Iraq."

Wellstone has always been somewhat of a rebel, beginning as a political science professor at Carleton College. He then ran for Senate in 1990, in what was considered almost of a waste of time campaign against a Republican incumbent. However, he won. He had become famous for riding around the state in his signature green painted school bus; the bus was on display at his memorial service.

The senatorial election was set to be a very tight race between the former mayor of St. Paul, Minnesota, Norm Coleman. With the control of the Senate at stake (if the Republicans win Wellstone's seat they will control both houses of Congress and the White House), a fight has already been assembled by the Democrats to maintain Wellstone's seat.

Former Vice President Walter Mondale, who served under Jimmy Carter and made an unsuccessful bid at the Presidency in 1984, has been asked by Wellstone's two surviving sons to take their father's place. Mondale has accepted the request and has begun campaigning. In a poll of likely voters taken Monday by the *Minneapolis Star Tribune*, Mondale led Coleman, 47 percent to 39 percent, with 11 percent of voters undecided. If elected, this wouldn't be Mondale's first time in the Senate, having served on behalf of Minnesota from 1964 to 1976.

Mondale picked up Wellstone's campaign ,saying "Paul cannot be replaced; no one can. But his passion for Minnesotans and their needs can inspire us to continue the work he began. More than ever the ordinary working families in our state need a voice, and I will fight for them: for better schools, economic opportunities and to protect Social Security and pensions. I look forward to the D.F.L.'s [Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party] blessing and hope to carry the campaign that Paul began to victory on Tuesday." Senator Wellstone's voice in the Senate will be greatly missed.

# Women's issues discussion panel sparks debate

*from **Womyn**, page 1*

audience agreed that Hamilton needs to work on improving diversity, and the majority of the discussion focused on what students can do to help encourage interactions between different groups on campus.

"Someone pointed out that as much as we bash DU as 'drunk bastards,' we still go to their events. It shouldn't be any different for events sponsored by other [non-society] groups," said Manwill. "BLSU events aren't just for Black and Latin students, and the HomoHop isn't just for people who are gay. We need to be willing to break down that boundary."

A student in the audience challenged the panelists, saying that she felt that Black students on campus perpetuate separation by race because they do not hang out with people who are white. Specifically, she said, when she walks into the dining hall, she sees tables of all Black students sitting together.

"Think about it from our perspective," responded one student. "We walk in and see tables of all white people."

Turner pointed out that the issue of race came up throughout discussion, not only in terms of diversity. Students at the panel also discussed how sexuality is imposed in different ways on different races, said Turner.

The discussion of social life and drinking, including topics of private societies, brought a more heated debate, with one girl saying that she "hated sororities and everything they stood for," said Manwill.

Harding said, "It was really an outright attack on Greek life as a whole. One girl said that 'organizations deserve the stereotypes that they get because they fit those stereotypes,' and then other people who were in organizations stood up to defend themselves."

Harding said that this part of the discussion was not productive: "Neither side was moving. They weren't changing their minds, and we weren't really there to talk about Greek life."

Harding did, however, say that she felt other parts of the discussion were more useful. In particular, she said, the discussion of race and diversity helped to create a better understanding among students.

"I think it opened people's eyes to the kinds of things that we miss at an all-white campus," she said.

Turner said that she felt the discussion was a good start, but that more follow-up is needed to analyze the issues raised in the initial discussion. She and a professor are meeting to discuss possible types of follow-up.

In addition, says Turner, if students have "complaints, compliments, or concerns," they can come to the Womyn's Center meetings and speak to the representatives there.

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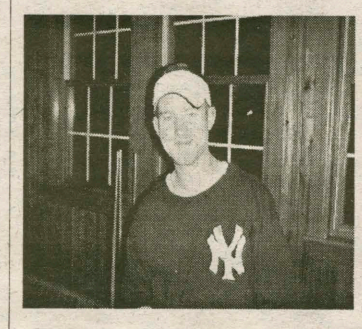
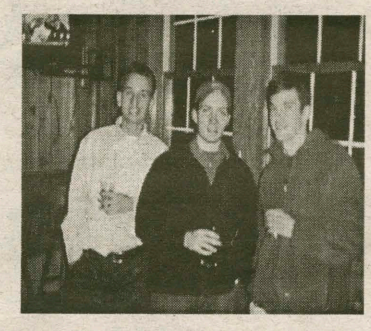
# Insights & Ideas

## Hamilton Unscripted: In the spirit of Halloween, what scares you the most about Hamilton?



"Being very embarassed for your past quotes of the week."
**-Matt Williamson '03**



"AD being back on campus. They suck."
**-Dan Head '03, Joe Sipos '03, Nate Williams '03**

"Collars up."
**-Jason Wellen '03 and Sean Fair '03**

"Someone trying to bang me in my French Maid costume."
**-Jordan Burns '03**

"Friday classes."
**-Katherine Fuller '03**

# Something different for Family Weekend


ADAM GORDON '06
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From what it looks like, there is going be a lot happening at Family Weekend this year. We will have speakers, family activities, football and prime rib, not to mention, "Yesterday and Tomorrow at Today's Burke Library." While all these events are super cool, I think Hamilton could do a better job of making Family Day Weekend a little more representational of what actually goes on here. It's not that I disagree with the program; I just think we need to make a couple revisions and add a few activities. Here is the Family Weekend schedule for Saturday, November 2nd, as I envision it:

**9:30 AM: Family Weekend Welcome**

President Tobin gives a warm welcome to parents in his speech entitled "I made this school #18 in the country: You will all be sorry." WELLIN

**9:45 AM: Liberal Arts- The New "Specialty"**

A successful alumni speaker will discuss how you can slack off at any good liberal arts school and still wind up with a decent paying job. He will then argue that success comes from going to a school with name recognition, and has nothing to do with the values or character you may learn. WELLIN

**10:30 AM: Career Information for Parents of Seniors**

Goldman Sachs will hook you up, homie. KJ 109

**10:30 AM: Yesterday and Tomorrow at Today's Burke Library**

Come stop by the library and, uh, read because the books of yesterday might not be the books of tomorrow. Or something. Make sure to stand on the outside steps and yell to reenact the protests and rallies that always annoy the people in North. BURKE, 2ND FLOOR

**10:45 AM: Father and Son Beirut Tournament**

Though this event was somehow omitted on the original program, we at Hamilton find this to be at the essence of father and son bonding after a long period of separation. Entrance fee is 33.3 cents. BRISTOL HUB

**11:00 AM: Women's Varsity Soccer vs. Manhattanville**

For all you older gentlemen who enjoy watching young firm girls in short shorts, this event is for you. LOVE FIELD

**11:00 - 2:00 PM: Family Weekend Cookout**

What the hell are you thinking? Take your kid out for some real grub. If you insist on attending the cookout, make sure you try some greasy chicken. Extra porto-potties will be brought in for the occasion because cookout food here has the distinguished reputation of being "Easy in, easy out." QUAD

**12:30 PM: Football vs. Middlebury College**

In desperation, Hamilton College Chaplain Jeff McArn and Rabbi Yaakov Rapoport will lead the 7 people attending in prayer for the first victory. After announcing that the "Native American wigwam luck dance failed to be effective last time," the football team admitted they must find another way to help them win. As of now, the Hamilton community can only hold hands and believe that inner strength will carry them. STEUBEN FIELD

**1:30 PM: Family Weekend Concert and Dance Performance**

Lot's of singing and dancing. It is important to note that *Jackass* will be playing in the Sangertown Mall at this time, and can serve as an alternate quality family activity. WELLIN

**2:00 PM: Meet the Administrators***

*This event has unfortunately been canceled due to the overwhelming demand to "Meet the frat boys who throw cool parties" instead. BUNDY

**2:30 PM: The Amazing Jitney**

Gather at the front of ELS

*see **Family** , page 11*

## THUMBS UP

**-The Martin's Way Charrette's ultimate conclusion: setting up cannons in the Dunham Quad to bomb the Dark Side**

**-The beginning of winter sports clearing out the VT for those of us who can hold our liquor**

**-Sarge's new ID Scanner...now you can actually drink in the Rok as opposed to getting ID'd 11 times**

**-Girls using Halloween as an excuse to recycle last weekend's Good Girl outfits**

**-Hot moms**

**-Drunken, passed out dads**

## THUMBS DOWN

**-CAB's lack of pull: Utica College gets Goo Goo Dolls, we get Parents Weekend BeatleMania**

**-Poor lighting in Bundy causing you to question your sexuality upon feeling that poke from your "Good Girl" dance partner**

**-The prospect of having an extended Martin's Way eliminating our beloved Womyn's Center**

**-Bon Appetit fixing the glitch that once allowed you to get your $5 Grilled Cheese at the Diner and then go to Commons for a real meal**

**Chris Preston '03, Paul P. Jones '03, and Deirdre Fenton '04**

## WHO CARES?

**-The PBX-ATX cat fight over Brothel bragging rights**

**-TDX's Nothin' Fancy--a fitting name**

**-This week's dramatic conclusion to the grueling Name-the-Library Catalogue competition**

**-"I don't care about a whole lotta shit!" -Andy Horner '03**

**-PBX's new war slogan for ATX: "When fired upon, fire back"**

**-The power surge that was Womyn's Energy Week 2002, finally slaying the Hamilton Million Dollar Energy Beast**

# Dear, dear parents

BILL CHENEVERT '05
INSIGHTS & IDEAS EDITOR

Welcome parents, to our little world in the middle of nowhere. This here newspaper is the voice of the student body, being completely student-run, edited, produced, etc. So, although I am one writer and one voice in a group of about 1,700 of your precious children, take this time to pretend like this is a letter written explicitly to you, mom and dad.

School's good, mom. Classes are going well. The food's fine. I'm getting enough sleep. How's home? Are the dogs alright? I could use some money. OK, talk to you in a week.

Well, that's actually a typical phone conversation. What I mean to write is that school is really good, mom. I have never had classes like this in my life; the papers are outrageous.

I must say, I expected the class to be filled with insightful participation, but most of the time, everyone looks so hung over and miserable. Don't worry about the D and the C- I've gotten on my two papers so far, it's only 40% of my grade and I've got almost six weeks to fix everything. I just don't know what it is Dad, I have good ideas, I'm confident to turn in my papers but I get them back and it's like... What the hell?!

Oh yeah, and in Neuroscience, I've gotten like 70s on my quizzes and the midterm screwed me. I studied for two hours and I knew my stuff, but the test threw me for a loop. I got it back and, uh, got a 54. Anyway, I don't wanna talk about that anymore.

In more exciting news, I've joined the Yoga club, the French club, and I've been hanging out with some frat brothers every night. There's lots to do on the weekend. Just last weekend there were like six parties on campus, and I went to every single one. I barely made it home and when I did I puked my brains out, but I had so much fun. I've gotten really good at Beirut. If you don't know what Beirut is, mom and dad, you're just not cool and you don't deserve to know. In fact, just the other night I was in Carnegie and I won this big Beirut tournament. I felt so cool and everyone wanted to beat me.

My room is OK. My one roommate Jon doesn't have any fun at all. He stays at home every weeknight and does homework, and, worst of all, he yells at me when I'm drunk and peeing on the floor. He's so lame and no one on my floor likes him. Jake's alright, he smokes pot like it's his job and has missed more Calculus classes than all the classes I've missed combined.

I have a feeling he's not going to be getting the best grades in the room. That'd be Greg. He's the worst. He sits on his computer all day long, Instant Messaging his friends from home. That's because he has no friends here and all he has to look forward to are A's. I, on the other hand, am a well-rounded student with decent grades, a lively social life, and plenty of extracurricular interests. When I graduate, any employer would be a fool not to hire me.

Hey mom, being a nurse, you'll appreciate this one. There was this kid down the hall the other night, who drank so much that he got taken to the hospital.

It was this big scene; the ambulances lights were flashing, fire trucks showed up and so did the Kirkland Police Department. What a dummy that kid was. Man, you gotta know your limits. That kinda thing will never happen to me.

My RA is such a tool. He knocks on our door every friggin' day and asks us stupid questions and makes us do stupid stuff for 'Health and Safety reasons.' The other day he sat in our room for like fifteen minutes and asked us questions about how college was so far and how classes were going. It was like, man you need to get a life and stop meddling in some lowly freshmen lives.

He yells at us for having beers in the hall and doesn't let us put Christmas lights up. I can't wait to be an upper classmen so that no loser RA will bother us all the time.

So all in all, mom and dad, college is going just fine. Classes are shaky but I'm on the up and up. My extracurriculars are booming and the social scene fits me like a glove. So yeah, like I said, some money and snacks sent up would be so great. I'm having a good time and enjoying every minute of college life, freedom, and academic integrity.

Can't wait to see you on Family Weekend so that you can take me out to dinner and do some laundry for me. See you soon.

# Halloween: The Glory Days

CHRIS PRESTON '03
INSIGHTS & IDEAS EDITOR

It's 6:00 on Halloween and I'm stuck in an office staring at a computer. "So what?" is undoubtedly the initial reaction of any college kid, but just a decade or so ago my current actions would have been forbidden, equivalent to not owning a pair of Samba Classics or not knowing how to find the warp zones in Super Mario Brothers.

Think about it: early Halloween evenings when you were ten years old were reserved for making last-second adjustments to your Ninja Turtles costume and stripping the pillow cases off your bed to use as a goody bag. Now, early Halloween evenings mean just discovering that today is in fact Halloween and, subsequently, determining whether or not you will be drunk enough to wear some dopey costume to the Pub strictly for the sake of winning the $100 grand prize.

Halloween to a college student begins approximately when a young trick-or-treaters' ends, although our consumption of unhealthy and mind-blurring substances commences at roughly the same time. In our youth, part of the fun of Halloween was seeing all the scary costumes your trick-or-treating brethren wore as they passed by you in the dark. Now the only thing that scares you is the knowledge that all those shots of Jack will come back to haunt you during the following day's hangover.

Part of the fun of Halloween back in the day was returning home with a buddy to stuff your face and watch scary movies while still wearing your costume. Now, the low point of your Halloween is returning to your room alone and having to peel off your sweaty garb and scrape off your already dripping face paint before stuffing your face and watching porn until you pass out.

If you were a really adventurous trick-or-treater you would, on occasion, sneak a few eggs from the fridge or rolls of toilet paper from your bathroom and use them as a means of terrorizing those neighbors who were a bit too stingy with their candy distribution methods. These days, eggs and toilet paper don't enter the equation until the next morning, when you're craving a hearty breakfast to help your stomach settle and craving a full roll when it actually does.

Let's face it: Halloween circa 1992 (or later, depending on your age) was the true end to our innocence. Trick-or-treating was really the last time "going out" did not necessarily involve alcohol or sex. We didn't care about getting drunk or "getting ass," all we really cared about was getting some candy. We were like young, anxious athletes who played sports simply for the love of the game, caring little for money or fame. When that ended, so did our innocence. I look back on past Halloweens fondly. I remember the excitement I felt just before exiting the house. I remember the satisfaction I felt upon returning home with two pillowcases full of Candy Corn and M&M's.

I also remember that this Halloween is hard alcohol night at the Pub, so I better be on my way.

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CARTOON BY TOM BOOTH '06

# Understanding the Honor Code

*"Plagiarism is a form of fraud. You plagiarize if you present other writers' words or ideas as your own." - Essentials of Writing: The Hamilton College Style Guide (2002).*

In announcing his resignation as president of Hamilton College on October 1st, Gene Tobin apologized for the repeated instances in which he plagiarized passages in speeches he had delivered in the nine years since assuming office. That President Tobin did not use the occasion to quibble over definitions of plagiarism, or offer extenuating circumstances to excuse his actions, is entirely to his credit. He did the right thing in resigning, and he did the right thing in the way he resigned.

When the semester started in September, plagiarism was one

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*PROFESSOR OF HISTORY*

of the few topics on which no one on this normally contentious campus seemed to disagree. Plagiarism was seen as a transgression against our common intellectual values, carrying justifiably bad consequences for those guilty of the practice. It was a lot easier, of course, to be "anti-plagiarism" when the only people we knew of who had ever been publicly accused of the practice were distant strangers - the Stephen Ambroses and Doris Kearns Goodwins we'd occasionally read about in the newspapers and had shaken our heads over.

In the anguished aftermath of President Tobin's resignation, the Hamilton community was forced to confront the issue of plagiarism in a way that left our earlier consensus shaken. It wasn't a best-selling author like Stephen Ambrose, but one of our own — a leader, a teacher, a mentor, a friend, a colleague — who was up there confessing to plagiarism and suffering the consequences.

Anti-plagiarism sentiments now clashed with feelings of loyalty to and compassion for a particular human being we cared for whose house we passed every time we drove up or down College Hill. Some among us have begun to wonder whether a strict adherence to the standards proclaimed in the Essentials of Writing may be self-righteous, vindictive, and pointless.

Personally, I remain a great admirer of the Essentials of Writing. But at 60-odd pages, with the burden of discussing every rule of good writing from promoting the "active voice" to discouraging "wordiness," it necessarily moves forward with a certain relentless efficiency. Plagiarism, as the booklet crisply defines it, is a form of fraud. But is it truly that black-and-white? Where do we draw the line between the fair and fraudulent use of others' words and ideas? Isn't there a big gray area? And if we are all guilty of straying into that gray area of unintentional plagiarism, haven't we forfeited the right to judge others, including those whose plagiarism may have been more purposeful? Those are good questions and require something more than a one or two sentence formula to settle. To understand what plagiarism is, it seems to me that it might be useful to spend some time examining what plagiarism is not .

Plagiarism is not the failure to be strikingly original in every combination of words we utter or set down on paper, an impossible and even an undesirable goal. The greatest prophets in human history have always understood that effective communication requires that the original be couched in the familiar; think of Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream" speech ("I have a dream; it is deeply rooted in the American dream..."). What is true in high oratory is equally true in common conversation. Usually, when we repeat what others have said or written before us, we don't have the slightest notion that we're doing so, nor do we have any idea to whom we are indebted for the words we recycle.

Leaf through a reference book like Bartlett's Familiar Quotations , and you'll quickly see how many common phrases in your own vocabulary you owe to William Shakespeare and the King James Version of the Bible. (Did you know that "last gasp" was Shakespeare's? Or that "wits' end" is from the Old Testament?) Nor are all our debts to sources long dead and buried. Harvard economist John Kenneth Galbraith seldom receives the credit he deserves for coining the expression "conventional wisdom" (meaning a fact, theory, or interpretation that won't hold up under careful reexamination) just a few decades back

But as Galbraith, Shakespeare, and to whomever we wish to attribute the authorship of the Bible would surely agree, the price of being a successful phrase-maker is that your ownership of the original is soon forgotten. The words in question become part of our language's common currency (as I wrote that, I wondered who came up with that immensely useful phrase "common currency" - perhaps another economist?). Using "conventional wisdom" or "last gasp" or "wits' end" in a speech or in a paper may lay you open to the charge of cliché-mongering; it does not constitute plagiarism.

Even the conscious use of someone else's words doesn't necessarily descend to the level of plagiarism if the words in question are clearly intended as an allusion to some source with which everyone (speaker and listener, writer and reader) can reasonably be presumed to be familiar. When I force my children to consume some item on their dinner plates that they find distasteful (say a Brussels sprout), they are likely to declare with heavy irony as they choke down the item in question, "Mmmm, crunchy frog." Crunchy frog? Well, they know that I know that they're alluding to the Monty Python "Finest Crunchy Raw Unboned Real Dead Frog" sketch. They are not required to add "Graham Chapman, et al., Monty Python's Flying Circus, episode 6 from season 1" as a verbal footnote (though they probably could, if challenged).

Repeating the words of those who came before us is essential to intellectual endeavor. In the academic world we are links in a great chain of teaching. Or, to mix metaphors, we are all "standing on the shoulders of giants" (a phrase commonly attributed to Sir Isaac Newton to explain how he came to his own insights into the inner workings of the physical world; apparently Newton himself was simply borrowing what was a common phrase in the 17th century.)1

When I was a graduate student at the University of Rochester, I had the good fortune of studying with ("standing on the shoulders of") two exceptionally able historians, Eugene Genovese and Christopher Lasch. I am never more aware of my intellectual debt to them both than when I'm up there in front of a class in the Red Pit casting about for the words that I hope will help my students make sense of a given historical moment or issue. It's then that I often hear echoing in my own words some of the structure, emphases, and cadences of lectures that, years before, I was privileged to hear delivered by Genovese and Lasch. Every time the term "contested terrain" pops up in a lecture of mine, I'm paying silent homage to Genovese (it was a favorite of his, although I don't think it's of his coinage); and every time I say some phenomenon or another "had resonance" with the American public, it's with a similar respectful nod to Lasch's distinctive way of putting things.

The catchphrases, patterns, cadences, and emphases recur. And yet the voice, I believe, is genuinely mine, not theirs. For if either Genovese and Lasch were suddenly to appear in the front row of the Red Pit during one of my lectures (a recurring nightmare of mine, Dr. Freud, if you must know), I can imagine all too well how they would shake their heads at the shallow, jumbled, and adulterated uses to which a once-mildly promising former student was putting their valuable historical insights.

So I acknowledge my failings to my invisible mentors in the front row. But I have a rejoinder for them, that brings me some measure of comfort. It's not always pretty, but it's mine. And that's the key determination we need to make when we're trying to figure out what is and what isn't plagiarism. If I xeroxed a page of Genovese's Roll, Jordan Roll, or Lasch's Culture of Narcissism, committed it to memory, and blandly, smoothly replayed some or all of it in my lectures, the result would be prettier, but it wouldn't be mine. I would be guilty of plagiarism. The same would be true if I presented the central theses of either book as something I'd thought up all on my own. (The study of history consists, in large measure, of the study of evolving and conflicting interpretations of the past; so, if anything, I tend to over-burden my students with the task of keeping track of who-first-said-what...). Plagiarism is not impossible to avoid, nor is it a concept ruled by arbitrary or shifting definitions. If you own your words , as I recall that my colleague in the English department, John O'Neill, used to say in the years when he served as director of the Writing Center, then you should have no difficulty in avoiding plagiarism. Establishing that ownership over the words you use, in the sense that John meant, is really at the heart of the learning process. You can read a dozen books about the Cold War, but if you can't explain what you've learned to someone else in your own words, no real learning has taken place. Details about the Yalta conference, and theories about the Truman doctrine will soon slip from memory, and you will have made no progress whatsoever towards realizing the central goal of a liberal arts education — the ability to think for yourself. Plagiarism substitutes someone else's prowess at explaining your own efforts. As Julia Schult, reference department librarian, has pointed out to me in an ongoing conversation we've had on the problem, plagiarism isn't a bad thing simply because it's an act of intellectual theft (though it is that); it's a bad thing because it takes the place of and prevents learning.

Owning your words is an act that consists in equal measures of understanding and creation. I understand what I intend to say in this speech/paper about the Origins of the Cold War, and I'm going to create my own distinctive way of expressing this understanding. Not all the words have to be your own: some can be enclosed in quotes and attributed to the proper sources; others in common usage can be freely employed without either quotation marks or attribution; a literary (or Pythonesque) allusion or two are also perfectly acceptable. Maybe some of your professor's rhetorical style will creep in as well - the great chain of teaching forging another link. In the end, however, what you should be striving for in everything you say and write is the free expression of your own developing voice, employing the words you are coming to own. And if it isn't pretty, at least you'll be better equipped to address that problem in your next speech or paper.

I'm not impressed by the argument that, out there "in the real world," people plagiarize all the time and no one thinks the worse of them for it. Or by the argument that the invention of the Internet somehow makes our old notions of intellectual property obsolete. As a liberal arts college - as a learning community - we are governed by a different set of rules than those governing the worlds of politics and commerce, and that doesn't seem to me like something for which we need to apologize. What we do here is teach students to develop their own voices and establish ownership of the words they use. If and when we stop doing that, we've abandoned our justification for existence, and we might as well just refer future applicants to some "distance learning" website as an equivalent (and far less expensive and time-consuming) educational alternative. Replacing the great chain of teaching with the great chain of downloading is not my idea of progress.

This has been a difficult fall at Hamilton College. In time, I hope, we will come to a balanced judgment of Gene Tobin's years here. Somewhere down the road we will surely see the dedication of a Tobin chair in American history, or perhaps a Tobin science building. But the worst possible way we could choose to honor Gene's many contributions to this College would be to abandon the tough stance on plagiarism defined in Essentials of Writing and enforced by the Honor Code throughout the twenty-two years of his association with Hamilton.

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1 I owe this example, by the way, to Thomas Mallon from his 1989 book, Stolen Words: Forays into the Origins and Ravages of Plagiarism, p. 6. He in turn, as he acknowledges, borrowed it from a study written a quarter century earlier by sociologist Robert Merton. As this train of attribution suggests, standing on someone else's shoulders is a process inseparable from the scholarly enterprise.

# Interdiction, Detention, and Deportation: Racism in Haitian Immigration Policy under Pres. Bush

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I am a current participant in the Hamilton College Semester in Washington Program, and interning with the U.S. Committee for Refugees. I have become increasingly concerned with the plight of Haitian asylum seekers and refugees in the United States.

This past Tuesday the Reuters News reported "about 200 Haitian migrants jumped off a freighter that ran aground in shallow waters near Miami... The 50-foot wooden freighter was dangerously crowded when it ran aground off Key Biscayne... passengers began leaping from the bow of the freighter into the water one after another and swimming a few yards to reach the Rickenbacker Causeway." This particular group of refugees (according to NY Times) and asylum seekers, who were fleeing the dire political, social, and economic situation in Haiti, was ironically, nominally lucky, in that they survived the treacherous voyage from their island to territorial waters of the United States in a barely seaworthy vessel.

On October 17, 2002, the Associated Press reported that more than 200 Haitian asylum seekers were being detained in South Florida under an amended immigration policy. The Bush administration, under the new policy, has refused to allow the INS to release and parole Haitian refugees who have passed an initial asylum screening into the community. Catherine Wilson, a writer for the AP, has cited the government as saying that the Bush Administration decided to stop routinely releasing newly arrived Haitians without approval from the Immigration and Naturalization headquarters in Washington.

Meanwhile, the Florida Immigration Advocacy Center has filed a lawsuit claiming the "U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service is pursuing a racist policy that keeps Haitian refugees locked up and interferes with their claims for political asylum." They also claim that the "INS secretly changed its policy toward Haitian detainees in Miami...." The lawsuit asks a federal judge to hold a speedy hearing and free Haitian asylum seekers detained under the new policy. Janet McAliley, a board member of the Florida Immigration Advocacy Center said, "I think that what we are seeing here is nothing more than the old kind of institutionalized racism that I thought we were getting rid of in America."

Reports have flourished in recent weeks by the Associated Press stating that Haitian detainees are on a hunger strike at Florida's Krome Detention Center. According to their attorneys, the men released a statement saying, "The humiliation we are experiencing is going too far.... We are not going to eat until we hear something positive from the INS." John Bulger, acting INS district director, said that the "policies and procedures are based solely on the procedures of the law. They are not dictated by race or national origin." Nevertheless, no such policies that are similar or even analogous exist for any other refugees of a particular nation or ethnic group, including Cubans.

Ruth Ellen, a researcher for the Congressional Research Service writes, "When Congress passed legislation in November 1997 that enabled certain Nicaraguans and Cubans to become legal permanent residents and permitted other unsuccessful Central American and East European asylum applicants to seek another form of immigration relief, it opted not to include Haitian asylum seekers." One of the arguments justifying such policies towards Haitians, juxtaposed against the preferential treatment of Cuban immigration for example, has been the dominating existence of communism in that and other non-democratic countries. Nevertheless, almost all of the Central American countries that came under the November 1997 legislation had existing democratic governments, arguably stronger than that of Haiti.

The current situation in Haiti is one that demands local, national, as well as international recognition and attention. The events of the last decade have seen a deteriorating social and political infrastructure for the first independent republic in the Western Hemisphere.

There have been several major political developments in Haiti within the last decade that have resulted in the deterioration of democracy, order, and protection of civil and human rights. There was the withdrawal of U.S. troops in 1996, President Rene Preval's dissolution of the Haitian Parliament in January 1999, the subsequent prevention of over 500 million dollars in international assistance, charges of electoral irregularities by domestic and international observers in the November 2000 elections, and the recent October 2002 coup d'etat attempt that the Associated Press reported consisted of gunmen raiding the palace and killing four people.

These occurrences have also contributed to conditions of abject poverty for Haitian citizens. The nation is one of the poorest in the Western Hemisphere. Moreover, news reports of corruption and human rights violations and abuses within the ruling Lavalas Party have created an atmosphere of urgent, tense, and fearful unrest.

In this vain, extensive numbers of Haitian men, women, and children, attempt the perilous voyage (according to U.S. Committee for Refugees, the "U.S. Coast Guard interdicted nearly 2000 Haitians at sea" during 2001) from the island of Hispaniola to the United States. Many times, these trips are made in over-crowded vessels. Haitians make these journeys with very little else other than their bare belongings and faith. Moreover, many of the refugees fleeing persecution are unable to obtain the necessary papers for entering the United States legally due to the lack of infrastructure in Haiti. In addition, many are unaware of the process to achieve asylum, coupled with their inability to communicate well in English.

Contributing to the difficulties Haitian refugees and asylum seekers face in light of the Bush Administration's biased policies is the categorizing of those fleeing Haiti as simply "economic" refugees. This labeling therefore does not recognize the extent of persecution in the poorest nation in the Americas. Haiti's current situation is not simply economic; Haiti is experiencing extreme political turmoil that has resulted in the collapse of a sound political and social infrastructure, which further resulted in the deterioration of basic social welfare programs and resources including minimal access to health care and such vital necessities as clean water. It is not a fallacy to assert the lack of economic prosperity; it is inappropriate to camouflage the extensive problems of Haiti as entirely "economic." At present, more than 500 million dollars in international aid is being withheld due to the inability of the Haitian government to secure a stable atmosphere within the country.

*Haiti Progres*, a Haitian newspaper, reported the story of one Haitian immigrant to the United States that captures the extent to which current immigration policies are in violation of the spirit of UN Refugee Convention, as well as basic human rights. The newspaper conveyed the story of Claudette, a young Haitian women who immigrated to the United States and was a legal resident for more than twenty years. After being subject to extensive discrimination and racism, Claudette had to resort to selling drugs in order to support her husband and two children. Claudette was arrested for allegedly selling drugs and found guilty. The judge decided not to send her to prison in light of her clean record as well as her family situation, but instead sentenced her to counseling and parole. Weeks later, when Claudette was summoned to report to her probation officer, the INS was ready and waiting to deport her due to INS'sability to deport any immigrant found guilty of a felony. Claudette was unaware of the INS's presence at this meeting. She was detained and taken to the Krome detention facility for several months where she pleaded and wrote letters to her family and the INS department articulating her situation and the certainty of reprisal, should she be deported to Haiti. The INS ignored her claims, shackled Claudette's hands and feet, deported her on a chartered flight back to Port au Prince, and turned her over to the Haitian National Police. Less than two months later, having been refused adequate medical and basic food needs, and having been forced to drink Haitian tap water, Claudette died alone on the floor of the Haitian prison; exactly the treatment she feared and predicted to the INS if she were deported.

The present detention of Haitian refuges and asylum seekers in the infamous Krome Detention Facility in South Florida as well as the biased and racist immigration policies toward Haitian refugees is unacceptable and unjust. The United Nations has recognized the unjust and biased policies of the Bush administration. Guenet Guebre-Christos, the Regional Representative for the United States High Commissioner for Refugees, has written to the INS saying "many asylum seekers have endured torture or trauma in their home countries and detention could easily cause further mental suffering" and that the UNHCR is definitely opposed to "detention as a deterrent" as well as "the detention of asylum seekers based on their national origin."

President Bush in recent weeks announced the total number of refugee admissions for the 2003 fiscal year is 70,000. Lavinia Limón, Executive Director Immigration and Refugee Services of America, (IRSA) said "The low number of number of refugees admitted in FY 2002-the lowest in the 22-year history of the U.S. Refugee Resettlement Program-was understandable because of the events of September 11 and the time it took to put additional security measures into place. But it is disheartening that the Administration did not take the opportunity to restore U.S. leadership in the rescue of refugees in 2003." Pursuant to policies and conditions particular for Haitian refugees, this does not come as positive or encouraging news.

The United States must revise its immigration policies toward Haitian refugees and asylum seekers without discrimination based on ethnicity and/or race. The struggle continues.

# Alternative Family Weekend

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and eagerly anticipate the arrival of the Hamilton Jitney, the "easiest way for students to get around town!" When the jitney doesn't show up don't be surprised, you'll get used to it. ELS LOT

**3:00 PM: Emerson Galley Open House**

Come enjoy reject works of art by famous people, and by not-so famous people. The print exhibitions are unique, but since no one appreciates them they will go right back into storage after this weekend. EMERSON GALLERY, CJ HALL

**4:30-7:30 PM: Prime Rib Dinner**

If you made it through lunch, be sure to stop into Commons and get some prime rib, brought to you fresh by local Clinton resident Billy Bob Johnson, whose prime rib is "promised disease free." COMMONS

**8:00 PM: Adirondack Adventure Slide Show**

Family members are welcome to drop in and see the wonderful experience their son or daughter had at AA. Parents will see the awful bug bites, puss leaking blisters, and especially how their child starved the last day when bears ate his entire group's food. There is truly something special about the "'Dacks." KJ 144

**8:45 PM: Get to Know Campus Safety**

Campus Safety officials will be on hand to discuss how there is nothing wrong with violating your rights by going through your room and checking for "candles" during fire alarms. Beverages will be provided from the abundant supply of confiscated student goods. BRISTOL HUB

**10:00 PM: Father and Son Beirut Championship**

Six cup, re-rack on 3, and stare-down to begin. Reserve seats folks, this one is expected to fill up Wellin Hall. WELLIN

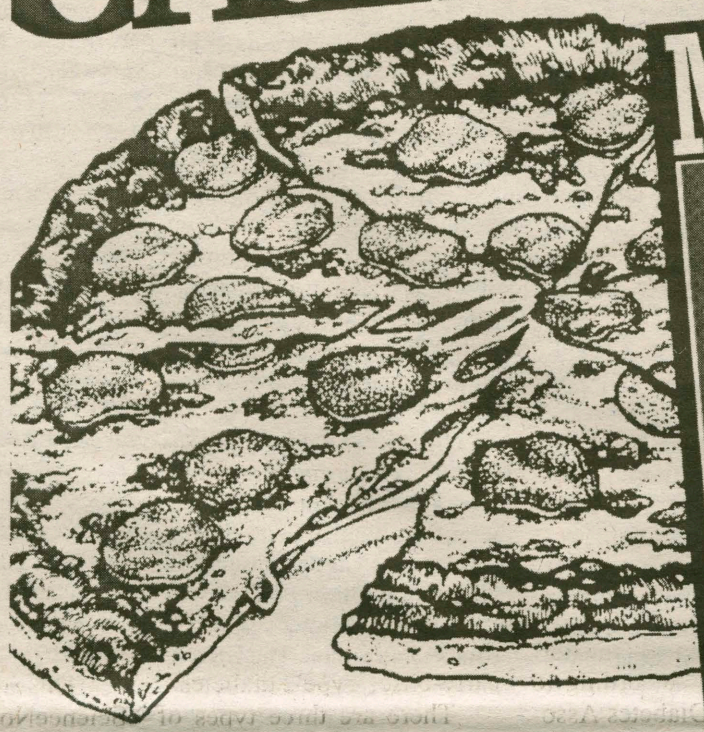
**11:00 PM: BUNDY PARTY**

This is what it's all about! Bring the entire family! Venture down the hill and get ready to dance on top of spilled beer and vomit (be careful, it gets slippery). Move your bodies to the beat and prepare to experience a party like the students do. Is this Hamilton College at its best? No. But it's sure as hell fun. BUNDY DINING HALL

**12:00 PM: RETIRE FOR THE NIGHT**

Today you have been exposed to some of Hamilton College. As you can see from the wide range of activities, events, and academics, your son or daughter is living the exciting college life. Though at some times it may not always seem great, your kids will admit that in the end it's definitely worth it. So get your rest, because tomorrow you have another action-packed day ahead of you!

# HUNGRY? CALL MAMA!



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# Science

## Beer belly fat may cause diabetes

**by Kristin Patrick '03**
*SCIENCE EDITOR*

Have you ever thought that your beer belly could be damaging more than just your sex life?

A recent study has shown that those extra pounds leave you at an increased risk of developing Type 2 diabetes, a serious health problem for millions of Americans.

Scientists at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in the Bronx, NY have reported that abdominal fat in middle-aged rats causes insulin resistance.

A condition characterized by the inability of tissue to absorb glucose from the blood in response to the hormone insulin, insulin resistance can lead to Type 2 diabetes in older animals, rats and humans.

Insulin is a hormone produced by the pancreas that helps cells process sugar. Cells use sugar to make the compound adenosine triphosphate, or ATP, the chemical unit of energy.

When cells cannot properly take up glucose, as is the case in insulin resistance, the sugar remains in the blood circulation and consistently high blood glucose levels lead to various health problems.

As people age or in the case of many college students, live an unhealthy lifestyle; they develop excess fat particularly in their abdominal region. This weight gain is commonly referred to as a "beer belly" or "love handles."

Interestingly, the fat that makes up beer bellies and love handles is compositionally different; beer bellies contain what is known as visceral fat, while love handles are made up of subcutaneous fat. In the past, insulin resistance has been linked to visceral fat, but whether the fat was a cause or byproduct of the condition was not known.

In order to further clarify the precise nature of this relationship, Dr. Ilan Gabriely and his colleagues at Albert Einstein removed certain regions of fat from adult rats with insulin resistance.

As they reported in the October issue of the journal *Diabetes*, the team found that rats that had visceral fat from their bellies removed regained proper insulin sensitivity and recovered from diabetes.

Conversely, removal of subcutaneous (or love handle) fat did not mitigate the rat's diabetic condition, which illustrates the distinctness of the role visceral fat plays in insulin resistance.

Their study also showed that removing visceral fat affects the release of certain chemicals from fat cells. This points to the possibility that visceral fat leads to insulin resistance via cellular secretion control mechanisms.

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**Without diet and exercise, this man, and millions like him, may be at risk of developing Type 2 diabetes, a potentially life-threatening condition.**

Diabetes is a condition in which the body does not properly produce or utilize the hormone insulin. According to the American Diabetes Association, over 17 million Americans-6.2% of the US population-currently suffer from diabetes.

In recent years, more and more young people have begun developing Type 2 diabetes, the form of the disease traditionally associated with adults. Increased numbers of unhealthy, overweight adolescents are likely the cause for this unusual recent surge in early-onset Type 2 diabetes.

There are three types of diabetes: Type 1, Type 2, and gestational.

Type 1 diabetes is an autoimmune disease in which the body does not produce insulin. It affects approximately 1 million Americans and is most common in children and young adults.

Type 2 diabetes, the condtion this article focuses on, is a metabolic disorder caused by insulin resistance and affects over 16 million people.

Gestational diabetes affects about 4% of pregnant women. Its causes are unknown but it is hypothesized that placental hormones block the action of insulin in the mother's body.

Risk factors for diabetes include poor diet, lack of exercise, high cholesterol, and a family history of the disease.

Diabetes can cause cardiovascular disease, blindness, kidney disease, nervous system disorders, periodontal disease, and other serious health complications.

This story was reported in ScienceNow, a news service of Science Magazine and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

## Hangovers: how to alleviate the fuzzy feeling

**by Hannah Stahle '03**
*SCIENCE EDITOR*

Sure the party was great last night, but how do you feel in the morning? Fuzzy, nauseous, shaky, and just basically really bad? This fantastically intolerable feeling is the classic hangover, characterized by pounding headaches, unquenchable thirst, upset stomachs, and overall feelings of unpleasantness.

These nasty symptoms have been around for ages, and in all that time, it seems that no one has found a definitive cure. Perhaps finding the cure for a hangover would not be the best idea, as it lead to a cataclysmic increase in alcohol intake of epidemic proportions all over the world. Despite this rather disturbing possibility, finding a quick cure for a hangover would save many a college student from unbearable awakenings.

Regardless of the lack of hard data about hangover cures, there are several cures out there that are rumored to be the quick fix that so many folks dream of. Fortunately, instead of having to try these remedies yourself after a night of excess debauchery, the nice chaps at *New Scientist* have tried them all for you and have rated them from least to most effective.

**Mythological hangover cure # 1: water.**

The method behind the madness of this straightforward remedy is simple; alcohol acts as a diuretic, so increasing water intake should alleviate some painful hangover symptoms. Alcohol consumption causes the inhibition of the secretion of the hormone vasopressin.

Vasopressin is important in directing the kidneys to reabsorb water instead of sending it all to the bladder. The lack of this hormone causes excessive urination and the intense thirst that accompanies a hangover. It is also thought that this dehydration can affect the brain, by causing the dura, or the covering of the brain, to shrink slightly, which may compress nerves cause pain in areas of the body and may cause headaches.

While this simple cure seems intuitive based on the physiology of alcohol consumption, it proved quite ineffective, and all those in the study complained of no alleviation of their symptoms.

**Mythological hangover cure #2: sports drinks.**

This hangover remedy seems just as intuitive as the water remedy, as the excessive urination accompanied by alcohol consumption causes a loss of ions in the body. Ions are essential for the proper functioning of muscles and nerves, and a decrease in these ions can cause the nausea, fatigue, and shakiness that is characteristic of a hangover. Alcohol also greatly decreases the amount of glucose in the body because the liver breaks down glycogen, resulting in hypoglycemia.

Since sports drinks contain these important ions and sugar, it seems like it could be the hangover cure everyone's been waiting for, but alas, those in the study reported that it worked only slightly better than the water remedy (which, if you remember, was not at all), and it had a nasty side effect of causing gas and bloating.

**Mythological hangover cure #3: N-acetyl-cysteine (NAC).**

This remedy, which can be found at most health food stores, acts by breaking down the unpleasant free radicals that run rampant in the body as a result of the liver breaking down ethanol. These free radicals build up in the liver after consuming alcohol because alcohol depletes the enzyme glutathione, which normally functions to get rid of them. The presence of NAC in the body provides the backbone of the glutathione molecule and ensures a never-ending supply of the enzyme.

Those in this intoxicating study reported that NAC worked wonders for their hangovers. Some even reported that NAC completely neutralized the headaches and the fuzzy feeling that resulted from an overindulgence of alcohol.

**Mythological hangover cure #4: more alcohol.**

This rumored remedy has been around for much longer than the others, and despite the fact that alcohol is the last thing most people want to wake up to, this cure may actually work. The real cause of a hangover is not the liver's breakdown of ethanol, but methanol. The liver functions by breaking down all the ethanol in the body, and then moves on to methanol; this is why it takes so long for the hangover to kick in. When the liver breaks down methanol, formic acid is produced as a by product, causing the unpleasant symptoms of a hangover.

A little bit more alcohol in the morning would therefore keep the body from breaking down methanol, as the liver would switch back to ethanol breakdown. Although this cure is only temporary (eventually the methanol has to be broken down), those in the study reported that it worked well. Drinking a Bloody Mary after waking up worked best for those who had consumed wine, brandy, or whisky. However, it was very difficult for participants to bring themselves to actually consume more alcohol in the morning.

While a couple of these cures might help alleviate some of the vicious symptoms of a hangover, nothing is a cure-all, and the effectiveness of many of these cures depends on several factors. For example, a lack of sleep or smoking can actually greatly increase the pain and duration of a hangover. Perhaps a combination of remedies, along with a few ibuprofen or aspirin before bed, is your best bet after a weekend full of excess. The best cure, of course, is to not drink at all, but this is college and chances are the hangovers will continue.

# Features

## Utica-area hotspots beckon families to off-campus fun

**by Christopher R. La Rosa '03**
*SENIOR EDITOR*

Family weekend has finally arrived and many students are wondering how to show their parents a good time, Central New York style.

For those students looking to impress mom or dad, a campus concert or Bundy party isn't going to make the A-list of activities. For a truly memorable family weekend, several treasures can be discoverednearby in the greater Utica area.

On Saturday and Sunday, the Clinton Cider Mill will be in full swing. From 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. families can watch the hydraulic and mechanical cider press make cider. Fresh doughnuts, cider, apples and other fall treats await those who are willing to wait for a fresh batch.

Fine dining can be found at O'Connor's Alexander Hamilton Inn. The Al-Ham Inn (as it is colloquially known) began its existence during the 1920's as the home of Othniel Williams, a trustee of Hamilton College and prominent attorney. In 1887 President Grover Cleveland stayed at the house during Clinton's Centennial celebration. Today the building is home to gourmet American cuisine at the Inn.

For those folks who don't fancy palate-cleansing sorbets or ornate garnishes, The Pub downstairs at the Alexander Hamilton Inn offers a comprehensive menu of food, including 3 pages of entrees, in a casual dining environment.

PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER R. LAROSA '03

**Cider, doughnuts and cheese – oh my! All can be had at the Cider Mill in Clinton. Don't fall in the press.**

Students can purchase "Food for Thought" certificates for $100, which can be used toward the purchase of $150 worth of dinner entrees in the Pub Sunday through Thursday. The certificate cannot be used for tax, gratuity or alcoholic beverages.

For the thirsty, The Saranac Brewery is a welcome diversion. Located in the heart of Utica, The Saranac Brewery (owned by Matt's Brewing Company) is the oldest brewery in New York State, and the second oldest in the country.

Matt's Brewing Company is a family owned business, currently operated by the fourth generation of the F.X. Matt family. Presently, Matt's employs over 130 people in Utica. The factory typically produces 10,000 - 12,000 cases of beer daily.

Over three million people have toured the brewery. Forty-five minute tours of the brew house, aging cellar, and bottling line are offered. Highlights of the tour include the original, shiny copper kettles and beer tasting in the 1888 house.

Tour goers can choose two beverages to sample at the end of the tour. However, Matt's isn't famous only for Saranac. The brewery also makes Jed's Hard Lemonade, The Three Stooges Beer, and Utica Club among many others.

Those under 21 can choose from an array of soft drinks produced by Matt's, including root beer and birch beer. Tours are offered at 11 a.m., 1 p.m., and 3 p.m. on Saturday during the fall, winter and spring. Tour prices are $3 for adults, $1 for children 6-12 and free for children under six.

For families looking for activities to stimulate the mind, the Munson Williams Proctor Arts Institute (MWPAI) offers an array of free programming that may fit the bill.

This Friday evening at 7:30 PM, the MWPAI will show Mostly Martha, a German romantic comedy with English subtitles. The film was reviewed by the Washington Post as being "Sweet without being saccharine, and funny without being forced."

Those students whose folks are looking to rekindle their youth may want to attend the screening of three 1960s avant-garde films: Kusama's Self-Obliteration, Fly, and Fuses. All the films are shown at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday at MWPAI. Viewers should be advised that the films contain sexually explicit content.

Home decorating ideas may come from Heavy Metal Innovated Victorian Furniture, a Gallery Talk occurring Sunday at 1:30.

If none of the aforementioned films and talks are your cup of tea, the MWPAI's extensive art collection makes a

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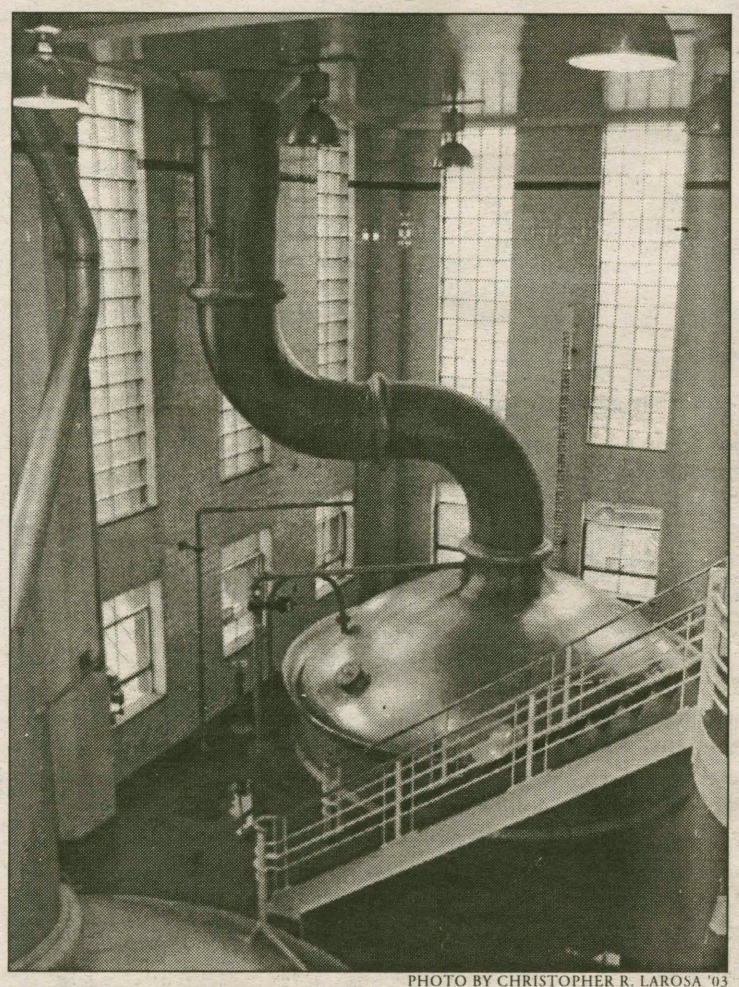
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**The nectar produced in these shiny copper kettles at the Saranac Brewery should be consumed in moderation. Do not consume entire contents in one sitting.**

## This Week In Hamilton History

### 8 YEARS AGO
*October 28, 1994*

***Letter to the Editor:* Student Claims Giuliani is a Democrat and that his Political Future is Over**

The mayor of New York City, Rudolph Guiliani, claims he is a Republican. On Tuesday, however, he showed once again that he is really not a Republican but a liberal who should be a Democrat. Rudy claims that governor-elect Pataki takes as few positions as possible. The mayor also had the audacity to tell the public that Cuomo presents more of an opportunity for change than Pataki. Rudolph Giuliani is an enigma because he does not fit any one category. He is a tax and spend liberal. It is quite conceivable that Rudy, not being content with being Mayor, wants to be Governor someday. Rudy will have very little political power within his own party, making his future as a politician a very difficult one. It is now a no-win situation for Rudy. I can't say that I am sympathetic, though. As one G.O.P. official said, Rudy not only burnt his bridges, he dynamited them. Rudy, you're on your own. -Hunter Chamberlin

**Dangers of party in the glen; 38 gallons of wine consumed**

A party held in Root Glen two weeks ago Saturday night was the subject of a recent meeting between members of the Office of Residential Life and Resident Advisors. According to Director of Campus Safety Pat Ingalls, 38 gallons of wine were consumed at the party, which took place in an area of the glen known as the "Bridal Path," and bonfires were also set. The party, held on school property, was unauthorized, and its organizers remain unknown. Based on interviews with students conducted during the last two weeks, Ingalls estimates that between 30 and 50 students were at the party at any given time during the evening. One Hamilton student who was at the party had to be hospitalized for alcohol poisoning. Jeff Landry, residential life area coordinator, said a party like the one two weeks ago has taken place in the glen every semester, though in the past, the party has not involved the same quantities of alcohol.

### 11 YEARS AGO
*November 1, 1991*

**Hamilton Graduate and Soap Star from CBS's *Guiding Light* Returns to the Hill**

Tonight William Roehrick '34 returns to Hamilton to perform a theatrical tribute, "A Passage to E.M. Forster." Roehrick stars on the CBS daytime drama *Guiding Light*. Five stars of the cast will accompany him for the performance. *Guiding Light* has long been one of CBS's most popular daytime television series, and Roehrick's character, Henry Chamberlain, has become a central figure of the show. Roehrick's first career break was at Hamilton. Highly acclaimed journalist and theatre critic Alexander Woolcott '09 saw his performance in the play *Macbeth* and encouraged Roehrick to pursue theatre on a professional level. Roehrick has been acting ever since his years on the Hill.

**Middle East Interest Group Founded on Hill**

There is a new group on campus interested in encouraging student interest in the culture of the Middle East, called the Middle Eastern Interest Group. Mary Karam '92 (one of the group's founders) described the group's purpose as to "basically educate ourselves and the community about the Middle East."

### 27 YEARS AGO
*October 31, 1975*

**Students Decide to Abolish Student Assembly**

The Kirkland Steering Committee has issued a proposed constitution calling for the abolition of the Student Assembly as it now exists. The proposal recommends the creation of two separate governing bodies, one made up of students, the other of faculty. The proposal will now be presented to the Assembly for discussion. It was noted that often people felt that they were engaging in ritual that had no meaning, and the question was raised of how to achieve college business more democratically and efficiently. Among the major changes proposed are student representation based on divisions and class (instead of by dorm), and the creation of the Central Committee on Academic Affairs, the Admissions Policy Committee, and a Joint Meeting of faculty and students. This group can, under the proposal, draw up its own rules and elect its own officers.

**Compiled by Jon Kuhl '06**

# *The Spectator's* Local Eatery Review:

## *Symeon's: these gyros are no heros*

**by James P. Du Vernay '03**
*FEATURES EDITOR*

Symeon's Greek Restaurant in New Hartford bills itself as "an adventure in authentic and affordable Greek dining."

Spoiled by having already experienced Greek cuisine first-hand in Athens, this reviewer suggests that Symeon's more fittingly offers a close approximation in authentic Greek dinning. For those not concerned with a completely authentic taste, however, Symeon's offers a good off-campus lunch and dinner option.

The restaurant offers tasty meals and filling, often large, portions, along with friendly service. Appetizers range from $1.95 to $6.95.

None of the hot appetizers distinguish themselves, and the spanakotiropita is particularly disappointing. A typical Greek dish, spanakotiropita is a sort of pie filled with spinach, onions, and feta cheese and then baked in pastry dough. Symeon's version of the dish arrives dry, with no detectible feta cheese.

The cold appetizers prove more satisfying. Dolmades, or stuffed grape leaves, have a fresh and refreshing taste. This large Greek appetizer consists of a tasty and varied Greek salad, including feta cheese, dolmades, and bread on the side.

The tzatziki dip is not to be missed. This zesty yogurt with garlic and cucumbers is delicious with bread, and is an item that succeeds in capturing an authentic Greek taste. Unfortunately, neither the feta cheese nor the bread succeeds similarly.

Main courses range from $9.95 to $18.95. Overall, Symeon's offers a good selection of traditional Greek-style dishes, but does not always remain faithful to the original.

The gyro plate, for instance, substitutes charbroiled ground beef for the lean strips of freshly roasted lamb that fill a gyro on the streets of Athens, or even at a Greek diner in New Jersey.

A sure bet, however, is the Mixed Grill entrée. A simplified Greek salad and a dollop of delicious tzatziki sauce complement a tender shish kabob and a charbroiled gyro patty. Already large enough to satisfy, it comes with an additional side of rice pilaf on Sundays.

Aside from such standard Greek foods as souvlaki, mousaka, and gyros, the menu is too cluttered with non-Greek dishes. While well-prepared, the New York Strip steak and several Italian dishes do not quite mesh with the Greek motif.

On the other hand, the nightly specials are often worth trying, Greek or not. A recent special included an innovative baked, stuffed pepper dish. The menu also features a small number of vegetarian options, including a handful of fish dishes.

The desert and beverage menus are fairly limited. No deserts quite capture an authentic Greek flavor, especially the artificial, sugary-sweet baklava. As for beverages, Symeon's redeems an undistinguished selection of the usual local brews with a few Greek wines to compliment a meal.

Service is a strong point at Symeon's. The wait staff remains attentive throughout the meal without rushing customers to finish.

On a recent Sunday night, the restaurant gladly welcomed a party of nine arriving only half an hour before closing. Large crowds on Friday and Saturday evenings often result in a wait for a table.

The interior decor creates a pleasant and interesting atmosphere. The dark yellow walls display paintings, maps, and drawings of traditional scenes from Greek life and history, such as the Acropolis and Mt. Olympus.

Along with the traditional dress, pottery, and statues displayed throughout, these images, even if somewhat stereotypical, result in a classy, yet informal, interior.

The owner, Symeon Tsoupelis, completely renovated the establishment this past June, after a kitchen fire last February that resulted in extensive smoke and water damage throughout much of the building.

Symeon's has more operating hours that most other restaurants in the area. Open until 10 p.m. during the week, Symeon's remains open until 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 9 p.m. Sunday. Furthermore, it is fully accessible to the handicapped.

Symeon's is located at 4941 Commercial Dr. in Yorkville, about a fifteen-minute drive from campus.

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**Flanked by two examples of traditional Greek clothing, these three dinners peruse Symeon's selection of tasty Greek and non-Greek dishes.**

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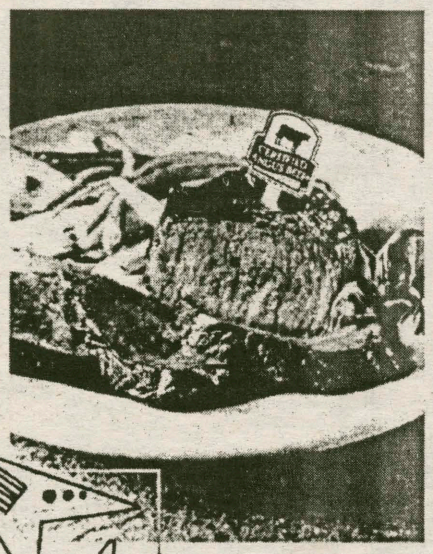

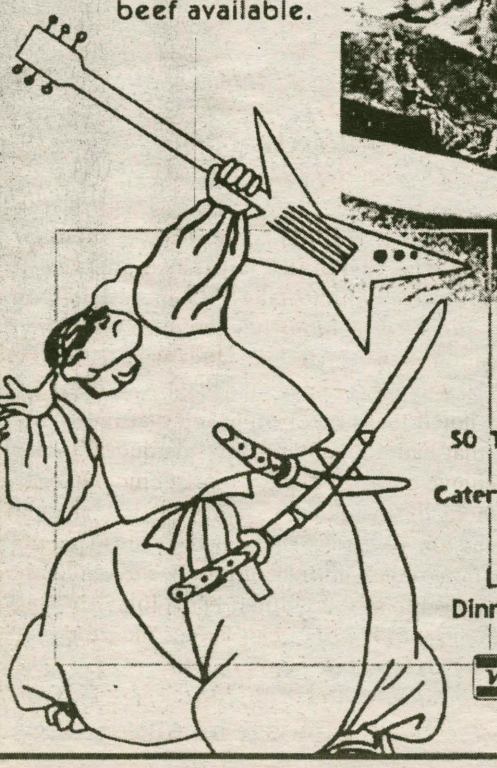

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# Parents Weekend Schedule

***Friday, November 1***

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| 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. | Open Classes. |
| 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. | Registration. *ELS.* |
| 3:00 p.m. | (Almost) 20 Years After: Education Reform in the United States. *Chapel.* |
| 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. | Summer Science Poster Session. *Fillius Events Barn.* |
| 4:00 p.m. | Gallery Talk and Reception: John A. Stewart '64. *Emerson Gallery, CJ Hall.* |
| 6:00 p.m. | Family Weekend Shabbat Dinner. *Azel Backus House.* |
| 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. | Student Theatre Production: Rehearsal for *Romeo and Juliet. Minor Theatre.* |
| 7:00 p.m. | Film: *Shrek. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.* |
| 8:00 p.m. | Family Weekend Concert and Dance Performance. *Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.* |
| 10:00 p.m. | *A cappella* Concert featuring the *Hamiltones, Special K, Tumbling After,* and the *Buffers. Chapel.* |

***Saturday, November 2***

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| 7:30 a.m. | Parents Advisory Council Meeting (by invitation only). *Fillius Events Barn.* |
| 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. | Registration (refreshments available). *ELS.* |
| 9:30 a.m. | Family Weekend Welcome. Remarks by president Eugene M. Tobin. *Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.* |
| 9:45 a.m. | Liberal Arts: The New "Specialty." *Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.* |
| 10:30 a.m. | Career Conference: Informational meetings (attend one of your choice). Career Information for Parents of Seniors. *KJ 109 (Red Pit).* Career Planning for Parents of Non-Seniors. *KJ 144 (Auditorium).* |
| 10:30 a.m. | Yesterday and Tomorrow at Today's Burke Library. *Burke Library, 2nd Floor.* |
| 11:00 a.m. | Women's Varsity Soccer vs. Manhattanville College. *Love Field.* |
| 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. | Family Weekend Cookout. *Soper Commons and McEwen Hall.* |
| 12:30 p.m. | Football vs. Middlebury College. *Steuben Field.* |
| 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. | Open House at the Maurice Horowitch Career Center. *202 College Hill Road.* |
| 1:30 p.m. | Family Weekend Concert and Dance Performance. *Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.* |
| 1:30 p.m. | Measuring Our Results: Some Findings on Assessment Work at Hamilton. *KJ 144 (Auditorium).* |
| 2:00 p.m. | Meet the Administrators. (various locations, by appointment.) |
| 2:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. | Students Stepping Up: It's Their Turn Now. *Chapel.* |
| 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. | Emerson Gallery Open House and Closing Reception. *Emerson Gallery, CJ Hall.* |
| 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. | Faculty and Family Reception. Hosted by President and Mrs. Eugene M. Tobin. *Beinecke Student Activities Village.* |
| 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. | Prime Rib Dinner. $10.00 per person for adults, $5.00 for children under 12. *Soper Commons and McEwen Hall.* |
| 5:00 p.m. | Newman Mass. Worship services for the Catholic Community. *Chapel.* |
| 7:15 p.m. | Adirondack Adventure 2002 Slide Show. *KJ 144 (Auditorium).* |
| 8:00 p.m. | Adirondack Adventure 2002 Slide Show (Repeat of 7:15 p.m. performance). *KJ 144 (Auditorium).* |
| 8:00 p.m. | Family Weekend Concert with the Hamilton College Orchestra and Jazz Ensemble. *Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.* |
| 8:00 p.m. | Campus Activities Board presents "Get Back," a musical tribute to the *Beatles. Annex A & B.* |
| 10:00 p.m. | *A cappella* Concert. *Chapel.* |
| 10:00 p.m. | Film: *Shrek. KJ 144 (Auditorium).* |

***Sunday, November 3***

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| 10:00 a.m. | Hamilton College Community Church Choir Rehearsal. *Chapel.* |
| 11:00 a.m. | Protestant Worship Service. *Chapel.* |
| 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. | Sunday Brunch. $8.00 per person for adults, $4.00 for children under 12. *Soper Commons and McEwen Hall.* |
| 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. | Hillel Bagel Brunch. *Azel Backus House.* |
| 1:00 p.m. | Catholic Mass. *Chapel.* |
| 7:00 p.m. | Film: *Shrek.* KJ 144 *(Auditorium).* |

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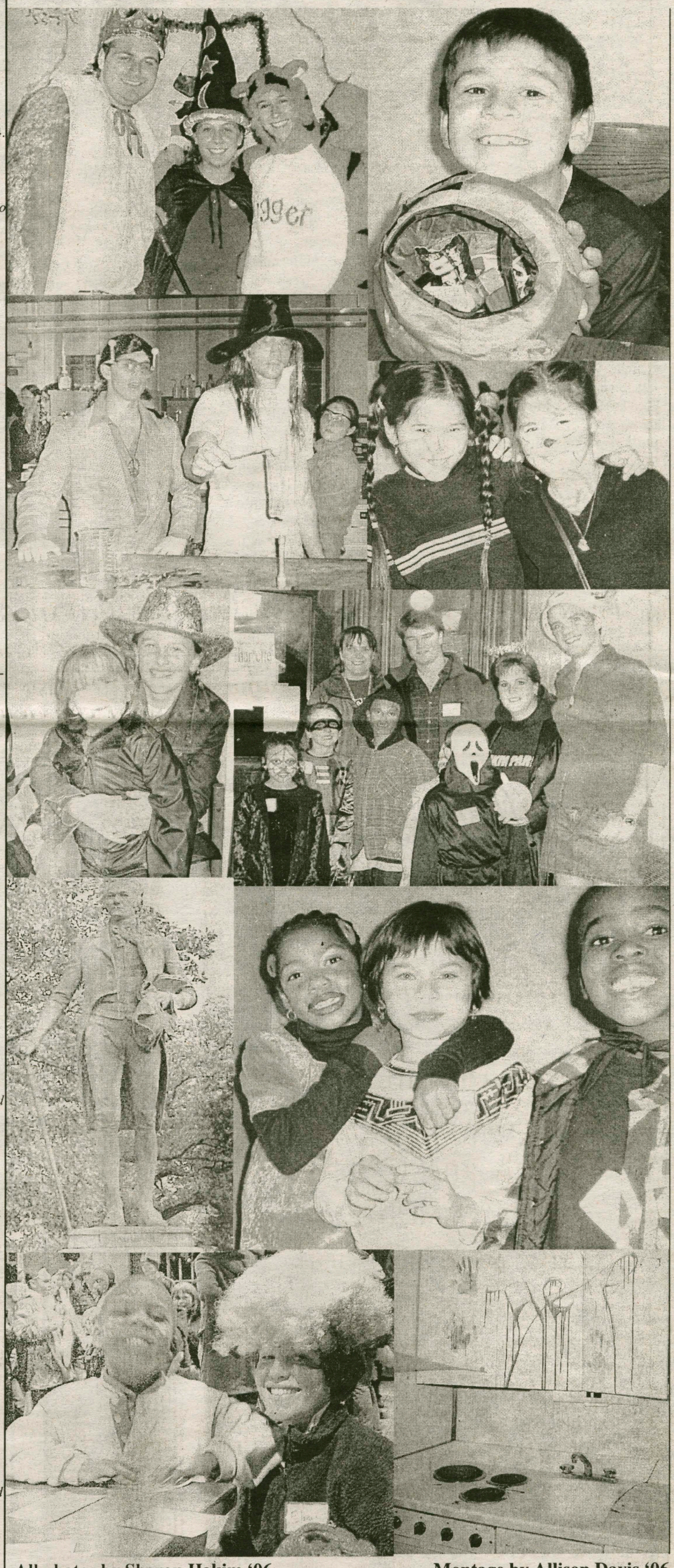

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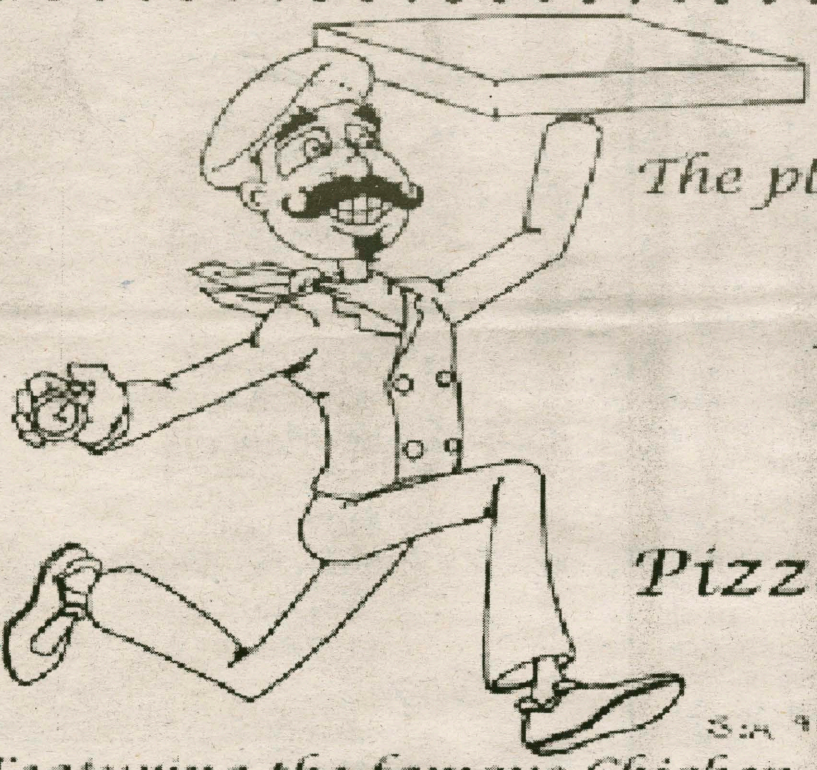

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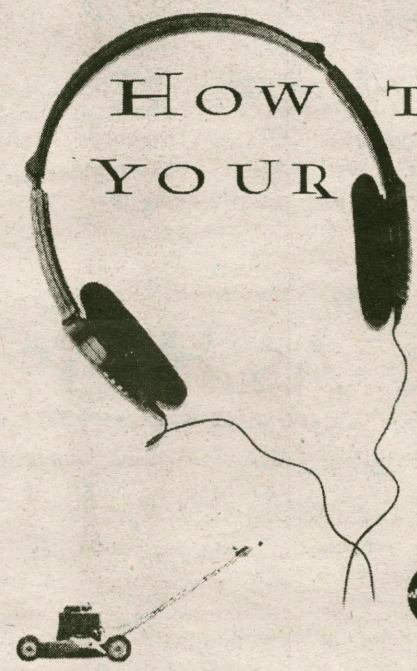

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# Arts & Entertainment

## Richard Harris remembered

### *Brian Sweeney '06 reports on recent movie news*

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**Richard Harris, who had recently become a popular figure in the media,was an actor for over six decades and earned two Academy Award nominations.**

This week sad news came to moviegoers when it was announced that 72-year-old actor Richard Harris passed away. Harris had been battling cancer for the past few months and succumbed to it last Friday.

Harris experienced a resurge in fame over the past few years after roles in two (soon to be three) recent blockbusters. In 2000 Harris played the role of Marcus Aurelius in *Gladiator*, and just last year he starred as Albus Dumbledore in 2001's top grossing film, *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*. It was reported that Harris took the role of the powerful wizard after being told by his granddaughter that she would never speak to him again should he not take the role.

Still, there was greatness in the Irish-born actor before there was *Potter*. Famous for being an all-out rebel even up until his old age, Harris will be remembered for many classic roles, even though he would care less about how he was remembered. He was known for his roles in *This Sporting Life*, *Camelot* (in which he played King Arthur), *Cromwell*, *A Man Called Horse*, and Clint Eastwood's *Unforgiven*. He was twice nominated for Best Actor but never won. There has been recent talk about a posthumous nomination for his work in *My Kingdom*, though that may not end up happening. Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern called him "one of Ireland's most outstanding artists." Harris will be seen on the big screen one last time on November 15th in *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*.

Unfortunately for fans of *Potter*, though, Harris's death raises the question of who will play Dumbledore next in *The Prisoner of Azkaban*. Rumors have already been surfacing that Christopher Lee, another legend receiving a resurge of fame within this generation, has been offered the part. It would be interesting to see Saruman of *The Lord of the Rings* and Count Dooku of *Star Wars: Episode II* actually portray a good wizard. It was also rumored that Harris's long time stand-in Harry Robinson will replace him in the upcoming movies. It is still too early to tell. But you can count on an answer before next March when the movie starts filming. The producer of the films, David Heyman, had this to say when asked about filling the role: "We will find a new Dumbledore, but there will only be one Richard Harris."

In other news, this week features a variety of new and interesting releases. First up is *I Spy*, starring Eddie Murphy and Owen Wilson. Yes, this is basically just a spoof of the spy genre, in which a world champion boxer joins forces with a government agent to save the world from some evil guy... If you like Eddie Murphy and Owen Wilson, then go have a ball. If you like movies where people seriously try to save the world from some evil guy

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**LAST WEEKEND AT THE MOVIES**

Weekend Gross/**Total Gross**

1. *Jackass: The Movie*
   $22,763,437
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2. *The Ring*
   $18,488,259
   **$39,391,301**
3. *Ghost Ship*
   $11,503,423
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4. *Sweet Home Alabama*
   $6,524,217
   **$107,302,338**
5. *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*
   $6,209,500
   **$177,698,447**
6. *Red Dragon*
   $4,660,890
   **$84,917,835**
7. *Punch-Drunk Love*
   $3,308,224
   **$5,861,261**
8. *The Transporter*
   $2,811,751
   **$21,471,206**
9. *Brown Sugar*
   $2,784,029
   **$22,348,965**
10. *Jonah: A Veggie Tales Movie*
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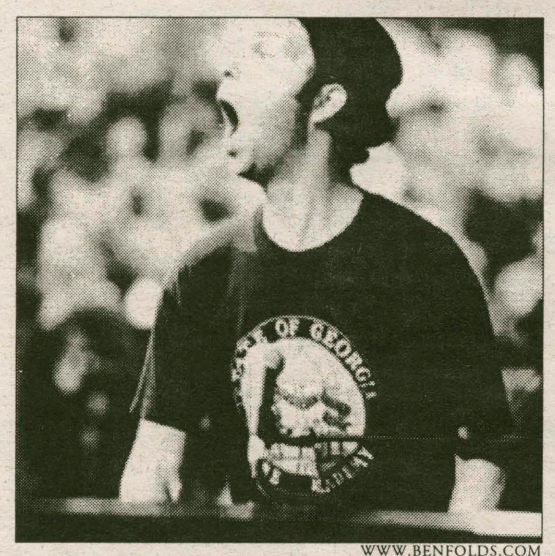
## Ben Folds Live: As He Is Meant To Be Heard

### Abby Tracy '04 provides insight into the pianist's new live album



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**Ben Folds is pumped up about his new release *Ben Folds Live*, which includes a DVD with concert footage.**

Ben Folds is no longer just "rockin' the suburbs," as last year's self-titled debut album suggests. Instead, the former frontman for the now defunct trio *Ben Folds Five* is now "rockin' the country" with a U.S. tour and a brand new live album entitled *Ben Folds Live*. The album, which features 17 tracks recorded during this summer's "Ben Folds and A Piano" tour, was released earlier this month and features a bonus DVD with live footage of six songs taken from various stops on the tour.

Often associated with the hits of *Ben Folds Five*, Ben Folds has moved away from the band as an emerging solo artist; yet, he still pays homage to the hits that made the trio a sensation among college students across the country in the mid-1990s. By playing such *Ben Folds Five* standards as "Philosophy" and "Brick," Folds is able to revisit the success of those songs, despite being unaccompanied by his former bandmates. In fact, the CD and DVD both contain the excitement that Folds conveys while playing "Philosophy" with an intensity that truly makes him one of the great piano players out there. Recent songs from last year's *Rockin' the Suburbs* like "Zak and Sara" and "Fred Jones Part 2" immediately became classic hits, as Folds surpasses the studio versions by simply playing the songs on his Baldwin piano. Folds also treats the listener to rare gems like "Silver Street" and "One Down," the latter poking fun at the contractual obligations between recording companies and musicians.

The great advantage of this new album is the glimpse it gives into the happenings of an actual Ben Folds concert. The jokes, the banter, and the piano antics are all captured on this live CD/DVD compilation. The CD alone serves as an excellent introduction to new fans, as well as a nostalgic collectible for longtime buffs. The commentary between songs, in which Folds gives the story behind the lyrics or just plays around with his rowdy audience, gives rich insight into Folds's profound and often humorous lyrics.

While this CD emulates the essence of Ben Folds's exuberant piano playing skills, the bonus DVD is reason enough to purchase this CD in that it displays the athleticism with which Folds attacks his piano. The live footage includes, but is not limited to, "The Ascent of Stan," a minor chord rearrangement of "Song For the Dumped," and an exceptional cover of the Elton John classic "Tiny Dancer." Watching Folds don Elton-style glasses while belting out the familiar lyrics is both poignant and hilarious. However, the highlight of this DVD is truly Folds's version of the hit "Army," in which he turns the audience into the saxophone and trumpet parts while enthusiastically conducting this makeshift brass section from the stage.

*Ben Folds Live* is a necessary addition to the collection of any music fan, especially fans of piano-based music. The piano-playing on this live CD makes the listener wholly appreciate Folds's tremendous skill even more, since the only instrument used throughout the entire album is Folds's Baldwin piano. Fans of *Ben Folds Five* should also check out this amazing live album to hear some of the classic songs and for the material Folds has accumulated since the band's breakup in 2000. *Ben Folds Live* is an amazing album that spans Ben Folds's career and will definitely give more exposure to this incredible piano man.

## Movie News

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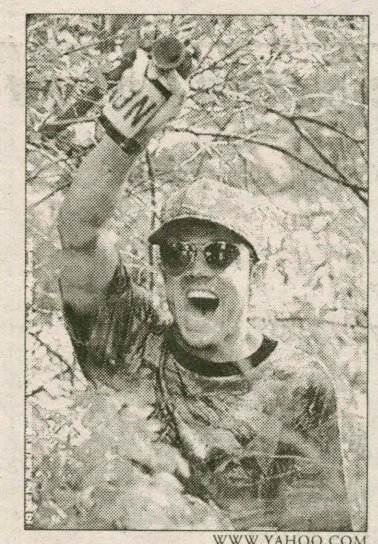

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**This guy was obviously excited that *Jackass* was number one at the box office last week.**

trying to yada yada yada, then don't bother.

Also opening this week is the sequel to a movie made nearly seven years ago titled *The Santa Clause*. This sequel is aptly entitled *The Santa Clause 2*. What you will probably find is just a retread of the original movie, but if you liked Tim Allen in the role and you enjoyed yourself then you'll get a kick out of this. But if you just want to get a jump start on the holiday season then you can either see this for a good $7 to $10 or you can just rent *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* (the Chuck Jones version, not the Jim Carrey one) and get the holiday season really started.

Also, if you can get to an IMAX screen at some point this weekend then you may be interested to know that today begins the run of *Star Wars: Episode II* on the really, really big screen. Some of you may have enjoyed the latest installment in George Lucas's space saga a lot and some of you may have found the more "romantic" elements laughable. Well, if you were the latter of those two moviegoers, it may be beneficial for you to know that since all IMAX movies must fit into a two hour long running time, Lucas had to make some cuts. As a result you will no longer have to watch Darth Vader rolling around in the meadows like some sort of Von Trapp family member. Either way, it should be an amazing thing to see any Star Wars movie on IMAX, so don't miss it.

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# *How to be Good* by Nick Hornby

**Between the sheets: book reviews by Taylor Fleming-Henning '04**

Now here's something everyone needs to read: *How to be Good*, the latest greatest from Nick Hornby. Who? Yeah, same guy who wrote *About a Boy* and *High Fidelity*, titles you no doubt recognize more from the shelves at Blockbuster than those dusty shelves in the book store. I must admit that they are decent flicks, but I am a firm believer in this ancient proverb: "the book is always better than the movie."

Fortunately, Hornby's newest book has not yet made its way to the cinematic world. This is your chance to read the book before there even EXISTS a movie version. What luck! And, you can torment your friends later by bragging that you already read the book, and it was waaay better than the movie. (They still won't be impressed, but you'll feel comfortable in your self-righteousness.)

Despite the cheesy self-help books that its title resembles, this is NOT a guide book on morality. Set in a modern day London suburb, the story is told through the eyes of a successful female doctor, who after years of enduring a bitter and aggressive marriage, decides to end it. However, just when it seems the damn is about to burst, her husband returns from a trip a changed man, a good man.

Next thing she knows, her husband, once a most cynical and politically incorrect man, has become savior of the world, along with his enlightener, new best friend, and recent addition to their household, GoodNews (yeah, that's his name). The two sit and plot new schemes on how to end hunger and poverty, such as inviting all the neighbors over to a party to convince them to adopt homeless kids and donating the household computers and the kids' toys to a shelter for battered mothers.

More important, however, the man has become the loving and attentive husband she has always wanted, or at least she once thought so. The book details the struggles the narrator endures in trying to accept the radical change of her jerk-turned-do-gooder husband and still feel deserving of her comfortable middle class life. The whole book is laden with questions and observations about what make a "good person." Do we regard truly good, selfless people as quacks? Are we as truly good as we perceive ourselves? What is "good?"

Nick Hornby wraps all these philosophical ponderings into one neat, hilarious package. This book will definitely make you laugh at his joked-about life, society, and yourself. Furthermore, it will force you to reevaluate your personal sense of morality. So maybe this book really does teach you "how to be good," or at least help you to realize that you are not as good as you thought you were. And if it doesn't teach you any of that, at least it shows you that Hornby knows how to write a good book.

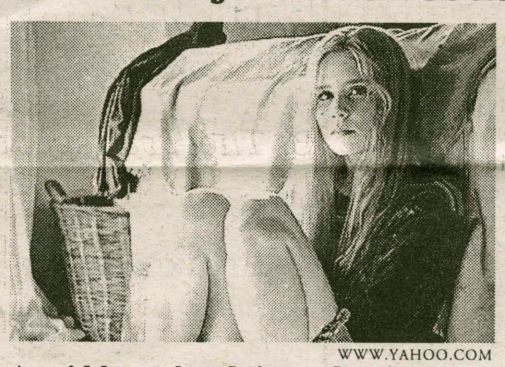
Oh yeah, and the paperback edition is probably cheaper than a movie ticket anyway.

Horby, Nick. How to be Good. Riverhead Books, New York. 2001.

*Hey, I'm still looking for people to write book reviews! Read something great lately? Write about it and send it to me, Taylor, at tfleming@hamilton.edu. Staff and students alike are invited.

# Movie Review: White Oleander

**Alina Troya '04 delves deep into the trials of foster care**



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**Astrid has a hard time adapting to her surroundings in *White Oleander*. Check it out this weekend in Utica.**

Based on the novel by Janet Fitch, *White Oleander* tells the heartbreaking story of a talented teenage girl and her artist mother. After her wild mother (Michelle Pfeiffer) is imprisoned for murder, Astrid (Alison Lohman) is placed in a number of disastrous foster homes. This becomes her journey to self-discovery.

Astrid is first placed with a fundamental Christian mother, played by an unrecognizable Robin Wright Penn. Christianity saves her for a while. She actually falls in love with the dysfunctional family as she forms a particular bond with a little boy. Next Astrid is placed with an actress and her TV-producer husband, played by Renee Zellweger and Noah Wyle. Here, Astrid finds a loving dream home of which she can only hope to stay. She chooses her last foster parent: Russian woman who teaches her how to make money and survive.

White Oleander shows a dramatic change in Astrid during her time in foster care. Perhaps her biggest change, however, comes in the realization that her mother, while so beautiful on the outside, is a manipulative, controlling person who refuses to let her go. To some extent, she even holds her own daughter accountable for the crime she committed. Astrid is a very sensitive girl and is also extremely gifted. She continues to idolize mother, who is a famous artist even from prison, but she finally realizes her own artistic talent and puts it to use.

One of the most touching relationships in the film is that which occurs between Astrid and another artist in foster care, played by Patrick Fugit (*Almost Famous*). He is the only character love her without using her. A truly dramatic and emotional scene between Astrid and her mother proves the tremendous acting ability of both women. The overarching theme of the horrors kids and teenagers in foster care go through makes the film depressing, but overall worthwhile. Unfortunately, White Oleander is not playing at Sangertown right now, so you might have to find a ride to the Riverside Mall in Utica.

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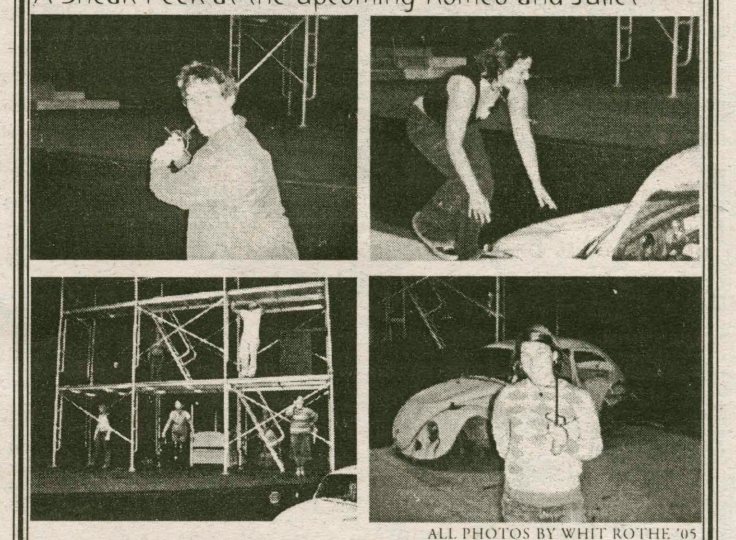

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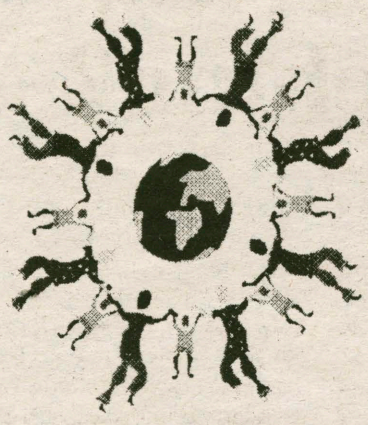

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# *Women's tennis ends dream season*

**by Andy Horner '03**
*MANAGING EDITOR*

What can you really say about the 2002 women's tennis team? An undefeated season, third place in the UCAAs, and UCAA Player of the Year Lindsey Schantz '03 combined to make their fall campaign one that won't be forgotten any time soon in the world of Hamilton athletics.

After cruising through the season to finish at 8-0, the team set it sights on the UCAA tourney looking to make a splash among the perennial powerhouses who usually dominate postseason conference play.

Their first match brought them up against a highly skilled Rensselaer team, who put up a good fight but was unable to get by the Continentals. The match was highlighted by a singles win by Ginger Pearson '03, who was playing while still recovering from the injury that kept her from play for most of the season.

In the second game the women were beaten for the first time of the season by a powerhouse Skidmore team. Despite Skidmore's experience advantage, the Hamilton squad hung tough, and Skidmore was forced to escape with a 5-2 victory.

The Lady Continentals then went on to the third-place match, where they downed William Smith for the second time in as many weeks. Jen Lynch '03 and Kate Borne '06 both played well and won their singles matches, while rookie Callen Sterling '06 teamed with Meghan Rose '06 to win their first pairing as a doubles tandem.

"Our performance at the UCAAs was great," said Lynch. "The competition with Vassar and Skidmore is tough overall but we maintained our seeding and did the best we could have done."

Second year coach Jamie King agreed, "I'm extremely happy with the way our team did this year overall, and I thought our performance at the UCAAs was good."

The women also participated at the New York State Championships, where they took tenth place. The team was without Schantz, which moved UCAA Rookie of the Year Kaitie Donovan into the first singles spot. Pearson led the way for Hamilton with two victories before succumbing in the semi-finals.

All in all, it was a phenomenal season by a squad that used its team unity to overcome just about any obstacle thrown in their way. Stressing their closeness as a group throughout the year, the women certainly surpassed expectations under the tutelage of UCAA Coach of the Year King.

# Angels win World Series, but was anyone watching?

**CHARLES SPILIOTIS '03**
*SPORTS EDITOR*

It had everything that makes a World Series great. There were two teams that weren't supposed to be there, the best player in the game (don't argue), and a best-of-seven that went down to the very last inning. There were more runs (85), home runs (21), extra-base hits (45), and total bases (229) than any other World Series in the history of the game. There were rookies that played like veterans and veterans that played like rookies.

But as the Angels and the Giants finally calm down and return to their lives, and the fans turn their focus to the NFL, NBA, or wherever they wish, the question that arises is why wasn't anyone watching? The television ratings were, depending on the source that reported them, the lowest or second lowest in history. But this wasn't another boring Braves-Yankees sweep, this was one of the more exciting matchups in recent memory. Could it have been the idiotic utterances of announcer Tim McCarver? Or perhaps that damn black banner that Fox insists on placing across the top of the screen at all times? Does Barry Bonds not have the star power that everyone thought he did?

The sad truth is that two factors played the biggest role in the national disinterest in the American pastime's grand finale. The first and foremost was the mid-season labor disputes that brought baseball minutes away from its nauseating ninth work-stoppage in the last three decades.

A country with a weakening economy and a threat of war overseas looming simply could not comprehend a sport which grosses about four billion dollars in revenue annually unable to reach some common ground. And why should it understand? Baseball is supposed to be a pure, unadulterated section of American culture immutable by any influence—and especially not greed. But I don't need to tell you that. We all know baseball as a business is a purist's nightmare. We all know Alex Rodriquez makes in the ballpark of $25 million dollars a season, that George Steinbrenner spends $125 million a season, and that some tickets at Fenway cost over $200 a night, and it disgusts us. But baseball is still baseball. It's important to us. For true fans, we deal with these things. But labor disputes we simply cannot deal with. And despite the best efforts of the irritating Bud Selig to convince us that baseball would not suffer in the wake of this unfortunate situation, we were not fooled. Baseball fans' memories are not that short. And so World Series MVP Troy Glaus, incredible rookie Francisco Rodriguez, and the rest of Mike Scioscia's crew failed to get the attention that they truly deserved.

The second devastating event involved a Cuban ex-ballplayer who was hoping to promote his future book, of all things. More simply, it was the news that Jose Canseco had proclaimed that 80% or so of major leaguers used steroids or some variation thereof. And despite all of the denials by the players union and whomever else could find a microphone, the damage had been done. You see baseball fans, like fans of every professional sport, we see the players as super-human. They are untouchable. They're gods. And after the news of widespread steroid use surfaced, we all felt a little cheated. It was like finding out that Santa Claus isn't real. And then wouldn't you know it—Barry Bonds, the poster-child for this steroid conflict, the ageless slugger who massacred 73 homeruns a year ago, just happens to reach the World Series. So did people forget about it? Did they just sit back and watch one of the greatest individual playoff performances in history?

The answer is no. People couldn't bring themselves to watch it. And to tell you the truth....I don't blame them. Maybe the real shame is that the 50 players who work their whole lives to culminate in a moment like last Sunday's Game 7 were robbed of some of the spotlight that they earned. But I suppose it doesn't really matter to them. They have a ring, a pennant, and a nice bonus check coming in the mail. So I guess the only ones who really missed out were the fans that just had to look away. You missed a good one, I swear. But there's always next year.

# Crew team wraps up its fall season

**by Michael Everhart '03**
*SPORTS WRITER*

Last weekend the crew team wrapped up its fall season with a successful performance at the Head of the Fish in Saratoga Springs. Over fall break the team traveled to Boston for the Head of the Charles. With 7,000 rowers and 260,000 spectators lining the course it is the largest two-day regatta in the world. The course is one of the most challenging head race courses in the country. Entries are hard to come by and the team was fortunate to get both a men's and women's entry in the new Collegiate Eight category, which is for Division II and III schools. The men's eight raced early Saturday afternoon; from stern to bow was co-captain Matt Baum '03, Kevin Hall '04, co-captain Steven Larson '03, Adam Schayowitz '03, sophomores Pete Coxeter and Josh Huling, juniors Tom Goolsby and Henry Chicaiza and Colton Riley '06. It finished twenty-eighth in a field of forty-one crews with a time of 16:35.546. Hobart College was the winner with a time of 15:18.541.

"Although we didn't do as well as we had hoped we rowed well. There was some very good competition in our category and we had to deal with a collision with Duke and a strong wind," said Larson.

Because the course changes direction several times over 5,000 meters the wind changed from a tailwind to a crosswind to a headwind.

The women's eight was in the next category and finished twelfth in a field of thirty-four with a time of 18:07.481. It was the best finish in the history of the women's program. By having a time within 5% of Lehigh's winning time of 17:23.548 the crew has a guaranteed entry in next year's regatta. From stern to bow was coxswain Chloe Hensold '06, Shana Weinberg '05, seniors Kate McMullen, co-captain Liz Lamdin, Kate Wardwell, Hilary King '05, co-captain Kristen Dillner '04, Kalin Jaffee '06 and Liz McPhillips '05.

Lamdin said, "The conditions weren't very good and we caught a crab partway through the race, so we didn't think we did very well right after we finished. Then we were thrilled to find out that we automatically qualified for next year."

Last weekend the team returned to the Head of the Fish after three years of travelling to Philadelphia for the Head of the Schuylkyll. The Fish has increased in size the last few years and is a regatta featuring mostly clubs and small colleges from New York and New England . The men's varsity eight finished eleventh in the open eight category with a time of 12:38, just 35 seconds behind Dartmouth, the top finisher. Hamilton beat New York rivals St. Lawrence and Union. The Fish course is 4,000 meters and much straighter than the Charles course. From stern to bow was Baum, Hall, Larson, Schayowitz, Goolsby, Huling, Chris Martin-McNaughton '05, Chicaiza and Riley. Larson said, "I thought we rowed well at the Fish and the straight course helped."

In the novice men's eight category the crew of (stern to bow) freshmen Dan Horowitz, Chris Abbott, Kosta Popovic, Chris Knorr, Dan Nelson, Andreu Vaider Valls '05, and freshmen Ernesto D. Medina Gomez, Alex Kaufman, and William Axtell Arnold finished eleventh with a time of 14:34, just 10 seconds behind NY foe RPI.

The women's varsity eight, consisting of (stern to bow) Hensold, Weinberg, McPhillips, Lamdin, Wardwell, King, Dillner, Jaffee and Rebecca Kessler '03 continued its success from the Charles by finishing eighth in the open eight category with a time of 13:59, matching NY rival Ithaca's time. Ithaca had handily beaten the women earlier in the season. Lamdin said, "It rained all day but we rowed well and were happy to tie Ithaca. All the women's boats did well at the Fish."

The JV eight, consisting of (stern to bow) Caitlin Foley '04, Becky Benham '04, Amy Landauer '04, Elizabeth Scagnelli '04, Wendy Garratt-Reed '04, Alexis Castrovinci '04, Stephanie Godleski '04 and Catherine Gilbert '04 finished thirty-second with a time of 15:41, just 5 seconds behind Connecticut College's JV eight.

The novice women's eights had success in their category as well. The crew of freshmen Dorothy Schug, Jessica Wolinsky, Dana Kirchoff, Lisi Krainer, Alexis Castrovinci, Courtney McBride, Amanda Bennett, Katie Cameron and Anne Kurtz finished thirteenth out of 44 crews with a time of 15:44, only 6 seconds behind 2002 NESCAC champion Williams.

The novice crew of (stern to bow) freshmen Tara Rosenbal, Suzie Desormeau, Megan Malone, Evelyn Schapiro, Jenn Mills, Kate Jurras, Katie Spencer, Alice Peterson and Amber Gillis finished thirty-ninth with a time of 18:27, just 5 seconds behind SUNY Oswego's top novice boat.

# Football falls short against powerhouse Williams

**by Brett Zalaski '03**
*SPORTS WRITER*

The Hamilton College football team (0-6. 0-6) put forth a tremendous effort before finally succumbing to powerhouse Williams College (6-0, 6-0) by a 31-6 score this past weekend in Clinton, NY.

Hamilton's defense held strong in the first half, as Williams' 14 points came off of mishaps and turnovers by the Hamilton offense rather than defensive mistakes or sustained drives. An early interception set up Williams' first touchdown, and eight-yard pass from Joe Rearden to Ryan Friend.

Hugh Green recovered a blocked Jason Kurtzman '05 punt in the end zone to give the Ephs a 14-0 lead early in the second quarter. Each defense prevailed from there, and the teams went into the locker rooms at the half with the Continentals' deficit still sitting at two touchdowns.

"We arguably outplayed the best offense in the league for a half," defensive coordinator John Keady said. "they scored on mishaps and mistakes as opposed to them pushing around. We played hard, we played physically, and we adjusted well to the changes that we have been forced to make due to injury.

Williams cam out charged up in the second half, scoring the first 17 points and jumping out to a 31-0 lead. The Ephs got their points on a six-yard touchdown run by Tim Crawley, who had 16 carries for 87 yards and a touchdown on the day, a 32-yard field goal by Scott Farley, and a five-yard touchdown pass from Rearden, who finished 18-32 for 161 yards and two touchdowns, to Friend, who caught nine passes for a total of 98 yards and two scores.

The Continentals got a five-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter on a run by quarterback Brandon Holtslag '06, but it wasn't enough to get the Continentals back into the game.

The undermanned Hamilton squad, which had only 37 players dressed for the game, got worn out by the bigger, faster Ephs in the second half.

"The only con I saw in our team's performance was depth," head coach Pete Alvanos said. "We just ran out of steam in the second half.

When you have guys like Sam Bowlby ['04] and Matt Baldwin ['05] playing defensive line and also in many special teams settings, it seems like they are always on the field, and it is tough maintain intensity and endurance for that long."

PHOTO BY NICK LUND '03

**Continental head coach Pete Alvanos struggles to find a winning game plan.**

With the rash of injuries on the defensive side of the ball, Hamilton has been forced to change their look and schemes numerous times during the course of the season.

"We go into every game with not only an A plan, but a B plan, a C plan, a D Plan and an E Plan," Keady said.

"With all the injuries and personnel turnover this has been a very unique year," agreed Alvanos. "I think we have used plans A-Z during the course of this year."

The injuries and losses have not dampened the spirits of the team though. There has been no quit for the Continentals in any game this season, as they have always played hard through the final whistle.

"It seems that I say this all day, every day," said Alvanos, "but these kids competed for four quarters. The word quit has not entered into their vocabulary at any point this season. Mentally and physically they have played every quarter of every game."

"We had less speed, and less size but we were able to move the ball at times with tremendous heart and desire," offensive coordinator Chad Matinovich said. "These kids do not know the meaning of the word quit."

The focus for the coming week shifts to the Middlebury Panthers (2-4, 2-4). The Panthers are coming off a difficult 22-20 loss to Trinity, and are looking to take out their frustrations on the Continentals. A failed two-point conversion with five minutes left in the game was the difference for Middlebury.

"Middlebury's record is not indicative of their talent," Alvanos said. "These guys are six plays from being undefeated."

The Panthers are led offensively by Bill Lazzaro who has rushed 136 times for 649 yards for an average of 4.8 yards per carry. Denver smith leads Middlebury's passing attack from his wide receiver spot with 30 receptions for 461 yards and five touchdowns.

"They have a pretty vanilla offense with two highlighted running plays and an uncomplicated passing system," Keady said. "But they have an excellent deep receiver and a good running back. It will be important for us to make good tackles on the back and stay focused on the receiver and not give him anything easy."

Bowlby has stood out for the Continentals on the defensive side of the football this year. His 55 tacklers are second in the NESCAC, and his eight tackles for losses places him first. Both of these stats are highly unusual for someone playing on the defensive line.

The Continental offense will receive a shot in the arm with the return of a healthy James Trummer '06 as they attempt to build on the success they had against Williams.

"We moved the ball fairly well against Williams, but we again shot ourselves in the foot with penalties, turnovers and missed assignments," Martinovich said. "Middlebury is athletic, but we can run and throw against them, it is just a matter of consistency. If we do the right things we will have sustained drives."

The Continentals are coming off an excellent week of practices and are looking for good things in the last home game of the season.

"Practice this week has been a breath of fresh air," Alvanos commented. "The kids are having as much fun now as they were in August despite the record. This is truly a credit to the staff and the players that going out to practice in this cold weather every day is not a grind."

"The attitude of the team this week is still optimistic, positive, enthusiastic, all those good words," linebacker Marcus Juba '03 said. "There is no negativity on this team. Everyone still believes that we will come out of the games with a victory."

# No postseason for field hockey

**by Mark Lutenski '05**
*SPORTS WRITER*

Despite a difficult victory over the Oneonta Red Dragons on Oct. 22nd, Hamilton was unable to use the momentum to grasp a tightly contested spot in the postseason with two disappointing losses against William Smith, by a score of 4-1, and Rochester, to whom Hamilton dropped a 2-0 decision, and finished the season with a 4-10 record. William Smith, ranked third in the conference behind nationally recognized Skidmore and St. Lawrence, scored three quick unanswered goals against the Continentals despite 13 saves from Meghan Blair '06 and excellent defensive coverage in the first half.

"She came out and it was her game to shine," noted captain Erin Turcot '04. Hamilton, which had zero attempts on goal in the first half, overcame their offensive hesitancy in the second with a goal by Karen Sullam '06 off a cross by Eden Self '04 with five minutes left in the game.

"In the second half, we knew we had to fight back. Scoring then was our goal for the game," said Turcot.

Despite the newfound momentum, the clock limited the Continental offense from evening the score and finalized the scoreat 4-1.

Hamilton's effort against William Smith affected the squad's endurance the following day in their contest against Rochester.

Eden Self '04 noted, "We were coming off a hard game against William Smith and had a lot of injuries."

As a result, Continental field hockey struggled to maintain the intensity level required to pull of a win against Rochester. "What was hard was that we usually have an overnight to prepare," said Turcot regarding the back-to-back contest.

Rochester capitalized on their advantage in freshness with aggressive play, and was able to outmuscle the Continentals on the offensive end with 12 penalty corner shots and 16 shots on goal.

Despite these two losses, the Continentals have turned their focus to next year, and are optimistic regarding the return of five seniors, four juniors, and eight sophomores.

"I look forward to it," noted Stephanie Metz '04. "It's a great thing that we have all returning players, and the rookies will have improved with spring training."

The team, which has taken individual fitness tests as a basis for comparison next season, remains focused on maintaining their level of conditioning next fall. "We'll work hard in the spring to get us into shape for the summer. That way, we'll come into the fall at equal conditioning levels," said Self.

In addition to physical conditioning, the squad looks to improve on winning back-to-back weekend games, a weakness often exploited by opposing teams.

"We need to get that done to get into the playoff's next year," commented Metz. The team gelled together in their first win against Oswego September 18th , a crucial victory which was necessary to put last season's 1-13 record behind them.

"It was good to have a win early in the season after last season's record," said Self.

The squad achieved additional victories against the likes of Union, Vassar, and Oneonta further in the season. They will look to continue this streak of improvement next fall.

# DU raises the IM football banner again

**by Brett Zalaski '03**
*SPORTS WRITER*

The 2002 IM Football season ended just as the 2001 campaign had, with a 16-6 victory for the Delta Upsilon fraternity in the championship game against The Franchise. In the first semi-final DU (14-2) defeated The Swilling Donkeys (12-3) 20-12 on the strength of a dominant defensive performance. DU jumped out to a 20-0 lead before The Swilling Donkeys had two late touchdowns to cut the deficit.

The second semi-final game pitted The Franchise (14-2) and Victorious Secret (8-7). The all-freshmen Victorious Secret squad showed its season-long improvement as it gave perennial IM powerhouse The Franchise all it could handle. A late interception in the end zone sealed The Franchise's 20-14 victory.

The championship game saw The Franchise jump out to a 6-0 lead as Dan Scanlon '03 intercepted Chris Rossi '03 and returned it all the way into the end zone for a touchdown. Chris Preston '03 followed that for The Franchise by making an outstanding interception near the goal line, but their momentum ended there as Mike Plunkett '03 sacked Franchise quarterback John Garrett '03 in the end zone for a safety to cut the DU deficit to 6-2. Rossi hit Joe Finley '03 for a score at the end of the half to put DU in the locker room with a 9-6 lead. A second half touchdown was more than DU would need, as its zone defense befuddled The Franchise's explosive offense. The final was 16-6, giving DU its third consecutive IM championship.

There was excellent play throughout the league this season, but the following players stood out amongst their peers:

**IM All-Offense**
**QB:** Chris Rossi, DU
**Lineman:** Mike Walsh '03, DU
**Lineman:** Dan Kaufmann '03, DU
**Lineman:** Jon Fehlman '03, The Franchise
**WR:** Charles Spiliotis '03, The Franchise
**WR:** Joe Finley '03, DU
**WR:** Graham Stephens '04, The Swilling Donkeys
**WR:** Eric Kallio '06, Victorious Secret
**IM All-Defense**
**Lineman:** Jack Halas '03, The Franchise
**Lineman:** Mike Plunkett '03, DU
**Defensive Back:** Paul Kibbe '05, DU
**Defensive Back:** Jeff Corey '04, The Swilling Donkeys
**Defensive Back:** Sean Fair '03, The Franchise
**Defensive Back:** Dan Scanlon '03, The Franchise
**Safety:** Phil Farrow '03, DU
**Safety:** Steve Milliner '03, DU

**Offensive Player of the Year:** Charles Spiliotis '03, The Franchise Chuck's combination of speed, intelligence, and hands allowed him to dominate almost every game he played in. Chuck routinely made highlight film catches, including the offensive play of the year in which he made a one-hand, spinning catch in the back of the end zone on a 50-yard pass to defeat DU.

**Defensive Player of the Year:** Phil Farrow '03, DU You just did not pass on Farrow's side of the football field. The senior routinely knocked down, intercepted, or interfered with any pass that was thrown his direction. His best game may have been in the Championship game as Phil was the main reason The Franchise could never put together a sustained drive.

**Rookie of the Year:** Eric Kallio '06, Victorious Secret Kallio typified the improvement that the entire Victorious Secret squad showed during the season. Kallio was unstoppable in the semi-finals against an outstanding Franchise defense, catching over 10 passes, two of which went for touchdowns.

At this time myself, Brett Zalaski, and commissioner Mike Plunkett would like to thank every student who participated in what turned out to be a very competitive season.

# Continentals will enter UCAA tournament

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goaltending of Hedberg, sent the Continentals to their second straight loss and dropped them out of the running for the top spot in the conference.

"Their goalkeeping was pretty good but their defense was shaky," said Galante. "The bottom line was that we didn't get the job done early and it hurt us in the end."

This Thursday the Continentals looked to bounce back from the disheartening losses against Geneseo State in their last home match of the season. Hamilton head coach Perry Nizzi turned to backup goalie Anthony Tripicchio '05 for the first time this season, and the rookie did not disappoint.

In a tightly played first half, Hamilton got on the board early as leading scorer Gellatly netted his eighth goal of the campaign. However, Geneseo responded in the 28th minute when forward Scott Cappuzzo beat Hedberg to tie the game.

Thus yet again Hamilton needed to pull ahead in the second half in order to emerge from the game with a victory. But yet again, the offense failed to do the job. However, on this cold evening on Love Field, the Hamilton goalie was up to the task. Tripiccho, listed at 5-6, stood tall in net, turning aside the few chances the Continental defense allowed through to him.

With the score still knotted, the game went into overtime as the sun went down. The first overtime saw numerous scoring chances for Hamilton, but the offense remained unable to get their rookie keeper his first career victory. As the 10 minute frame wound down towards 0:00, Geneseo suddenly mounted a furious attack, and with only 7 seconds left there was a scramble for the ball in front of the Hamilton goal. A Geneseo player finally put a foot on it, and for a split second it seemed that Hamilton was about drop its third straight contest.

But Tripicchio was there to make an amazing save to send the game into a second overtime, prompting loud cheers from the frozen fans who had stood on the sidelines for 100 minutes of soccer.

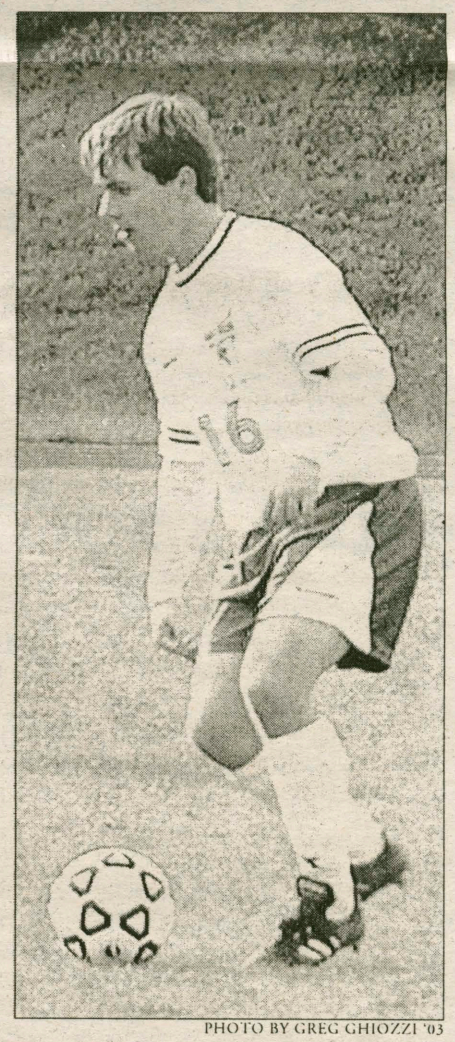
In the second half Hamilton had still more opportunities to put the game away, but could not. Tripicchio remained stalwart in the goal, and Geneseo was unable to end the game while the Continentals offense sputtered. With great goaltending by Tripicchio and solid defense led by sweeper Huy Huynh '03, Hamilton needed a scorer to step up and put the contest to an end. With one minute and five seconds remaining, the Continentals finally got what they needed.

Once again, it was Gellatly who provided the finish. On a well-played ball from the midfield, the Hamilton forward ended up one-on-one with Geneseo's sweeper. He broke left and went down the back line to set up an impossible-angle shot that found the corner of the net and sent Geneseo away with no points to show for an impressive effort.

With two games remaining, Hamilton must prepare for the UCAA tournament, for which the have already qualified. The only realisitic way that this highly skilled team will make the NCAA tournament is to win outright in the UCAA playoffs, and despite letting a first place finish slip away, this is far from impossibile.

Galante summed it up saying, "Fortunately, despite the losses, we have clinched a spot in the UCAA tournament. I think that the team needs to forget about that weekend and focus on winning the conference tourny and then moving on to the NCAA's."

It won't be easy, but it can be done, and if anyone can do it, it will be Gellatly, Galante and the rest of their veteran squad.



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**Vermilyea (16) takes control.**

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# Sports

# Continentals head for UCAA tournament

**by Josh Sargen '03**
*SPORTS WRITER*

Hamilton women's soccer is approaching a level it has never before reached. By defeating RPI and Vassar last week, the Continentals qualified for their first ever UCAA tournament. If the Continentals win that tournament, they will be dancing in the NCAA tournament.

The Continentals took this gigantic step into postseason play by taking care of business in their final two conference games. RPI was the first obstacle that had to be cleared from Hamilton's postseason path and the ladies dominated the entire ninety minutes of play.

If numbers mean anything to you, Hamilton relentlessly pounded the Engineers net throughout the game and finished with a 28-7 shot advantage. The Continentals lived on RPI's side of the field throughout the first half and ended the first forty-five minutes of play with 21 shots on goal. Amazingly, however, none of those shots found the back of the net.

Starting the second half, the Continentals felt good about their first-half dominance but wondered when a ball would finally roll past RPI'S keeper. Much to their dismay, RPI struck first and tallied a goal in the 63rd minute of play. The Engineers scored on a tremendous corner kick that ricocheted off of an RPI striker and into the net.

Despite the one goal deficit, Hamilton kept pressuring RPI and finally, in the seventieth minute, Jessica Beeson '03 controlled a ball at the top left-hand side of the eighteen-yard box and put what Coach Colette Gilligan described as "a beautiful shot" past the Engineer keeper. After cracking what seemed to be an impenetrable goal line, the Continentals came back down the field and scored the game-winning goal 42 seconds later on another shot from the eighteen by Elizabeth Roberts'06.

PHOTO BY ANNA GRITTEN '03

**Hoek (11) and Bear (5) battle for possession.**

That goal capped off a tremendous effort by a team with its backs against the proverbial playoff wall. If the Continentals had lost to RPI, who at the time was the number one team in the UCAA conference, then Hamilton would have been eliminated from the race to claim the fourth and final spot in the conference tournament. Nevertheless, the Continentals came out and dominated play throughout the game.

Elizabeth Hill '03, one of three co-captains on the squad, explained, "Everyone was really excited for the game. This was our time to play hard. The result depended on how we came out and played as a team." The senior went on to praise the team's intensity level saying, "We were winning every 50/50 ball out there."

One day later, the Continentals had to play an equally important contest against Vassar. The Brewers entered the game with a 3-9 record but, according to coach Gilligan, "Their record doesn't reflect them as a team. They have the athletes and ability."

Vassar put up a solid effort in the first half and kept the game scoreless until six minutes into the second half, when Hill followed up Mara Dropkin-Frank' s ('05) shot and placed the rebound over the goalie's head. After falling down by a goal, the Brewers seemed to collapse. Hamilton capitalized on Vassar's lack of intensity in the 70th minute when Dropkin-Frank beat the Brewer keeper to finish off the game.

After doing their part to insure they had a chance to qualify for postseason play, the Continentals had to sit back and wait for a score from the William Smith-RPI game. If RPI defeated the Herons, Hamilton would have been the fifth place team in the conference, leaving them out of the four-team conference field. However, the Continentals did not have to wait long after their victory over Vassar to learn that RPI lost to William Smith, giving the Engineers three conference losses compared with Hamilton's two defeats and one tie.

Now that the Continentals know they are in, they can start to prepare for their November 9th showdown with the number one ranked Union Dutchwomen. This match up is exciting for coach Gilligan and her players because of the history that exists between the two squads. Last year's contest, which was also played at Union, was a feisty 1-0 victory for the favored Dutchwomen. Nevertheless, Hamilton played well enough to win that game and the Continentals believe Union does not respect them and their ability.

"They think we barely got in," Hill says, "especially after they beat us. They'll be expecting to win. Hopefully we will show them."

Coach Gilligan is excited to draw Union. "I'm expecting to beat them. I got the match up I wanted and I feel confident we can do it." Gilligan has two warnings for the Dutchwomen: "Anything can happen in tournament play," Gilligan continued, " and if they come out with their normal attitude, they're in for trouble."

Before the Continentals can start one of the biggest games in the program's history, they have two regular season contests remaining. The first, against the eighth ranked team in the country, SUNY Oneonta, will show the Continentals the type of competition they could face if they take the tremendous step beyond the conference tournament. In the final game of the season, Hamilton takes on Manhattanville on what should be an enjoyable Senior Day at Love Field.

The team will try and focus as much as possible on their remaining two regular season contests, however, the November 9 game will certainly be resonating in the back of their minds. The possibilities that come from winning two games in the UCAA tournament are endless.

By winning the conference tournament, a team receives an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament. Roberts sums up the possibilities best, "It would be amazing to play in the NCAA tournament."

# Men's soccer recovers from losses

**by Andy Horner '03**
*SPORTS EDITOR*

Going into the biggest weekend of their season, the men's soccer team knew that they would have to play with the confidence and skill of the best team in the UCAA. Since the Continentals (8-3-1, 4-3) were first in the UCAA after three straight conference victories, this shouldn't have been too tall a task for the Hamilton men.

Unfortunately, this is the UCAA, and on any given day, any given team can beat any other team. And that is exactly what happened not once, but twice, with Hamilton playing the role of the other team both times. A 3-2 loss on Friday to Rensselaer dropped the Continentals to 4-2 in the conference. The next day the team couldn't find the back of the net against Vassar, and dropped a 2-0 decision, falling to 4-3 in conference play. In the span of two days, the Continentals dropped out of first in the UCAA, handing the top spot over to perennial conference winner Saint Lawrence, to whom Hamilton lost a 2-0 battle earlier in the season.

"In both games we dominated the first halves," commented midfielder Mike Galante '04. "I think that our actual downfall was the failure to put the ball in the first half and then coast to victory. Those 2 games were ours to win and it just didn't happen."

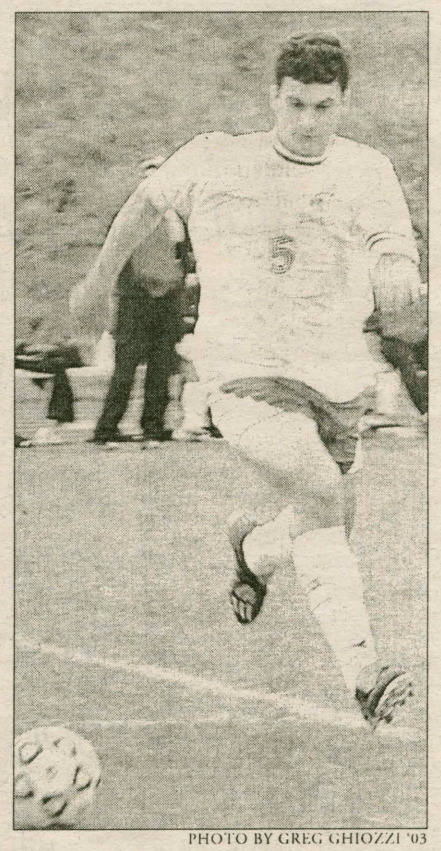
Against Rensselaer, the Continentals fell behind in the 36th minute when the Engineers beat Hamilton keeper Greg Zalasky '04 on a ricochet rebound shot from in front of the goal. However, Hamilton midfielder Galante answered 12 minutes later on an unassisted goal that he deposited in the upper section of the goal, just beyond the reach of Rensselaer goalie Kenny Guzzardo.

Going into the half with a 1-1 game, the Continentals would need a stellar second half performance to point away their scrappy conference foes. Unfortunately, second half play has been shaky at times for the Continentals throughout the season, and against Rensselaer the same script played out with disastrous effect.

Lars Hedberg '05, who has been subbing in for Zalasky in goal in recent games, was unable to maintain the tie. The Engineers netted two goals in a five minute span at the halfway point of the second frame of play, and the Continentals suddenly found themselves staring out of a 3-1 hole from which they would not emerge. When Jared Fox '03 scored on a header in the 75th minute, Hamilton appeared to have a chance. However, the Rensselaer defense and Guzzardo managed to survive a furious Hamilton attack in the closing minutes, and Hamilton fell short by a final score of 3-2.

The Vassar game was more of the same for the Continentals, who went into the game desperate for a conference win to give them a chance at a first place finish. Another tight first half resulted in a 0-0 tie, and once again the Hamilton men needed a stellar second half of soccer to emerge with a tough victory on the road.

Once again Hedberg entered the game in the second half, and once again the opponent pulled ahead on two second half goals. This is not to say that the fault lies solely with the Hamilton keeper. The Continentals outshot the Brewers 22-14, but were unable to find the back of the net against a Vassar defense that, despite the score, did not have the speed or skill to match Hamilton attackers Sky Gellatly '03, Dimitry Maurice '04 and Wes Sherman '04. This inability to put goals on the board, combined with the second half



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**Gellatly (5) scored two on Friday.**

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